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Darn that midnight knitter

MYSTERY Someone is spinning quite a yarn over one New Jersey shore town.

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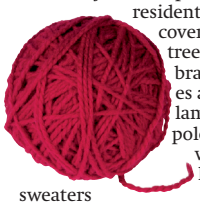

Mayor Pam Kaithern says police are looking into the guerrilla needlework, which technically is against the law because it is being done on public property without permission.

The mayor and many residents admit they're enthralled by the rainbow of colours that has popped up. Even those who aren't thrilled admit the yarn is better than spray-painted graffiti. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Bounty of beauty

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Gerard Butler and Jennifer Aniston arrive Thursday for the gala premiere of Bounty Hunter in London, England. The movie is scheduled to open in North America next week.

Science gone wrong

Botched experiment sends five students to hospital

Teacher Shelley Barros was showing the chemistry class at St. Marcellinus Secondary School how different chemicals burn when a nearby Bunsen burner ignited a beaker of methanol in her hand, students said.

"There are no words. It's shocking. We can't believe (this happened)."
Jose Dos Santos, father of injured student

She dropped the flask onto a work table, scattering flames onto students in the front row.

Wednesday's classroom fire sent five Mississauga teenagers to hospital, one who remains in critical condition, and sparked a government investigation into how a routine science experiment went so horribly wrong.

"At this point, everyone's just too shaken to talk about it. Either they were on fire or they were watching their friends on fire," said a Grade 11 student, who asked not to be named.

Katherine Dos Santos, 17, is in critical but stable condition at Sunnybrook hospital's burn unit, her father said. Her face, neck, chest and hands are covered with second- and third-degree burns.

"At this point, we don't really know (anything). You have to wait and see," Jose Dos Santos said. "There are no words. It's shocking. We can't believe (this happened)."

Two students were treated inside the main office while five others were taken to Credit Valley Hospital, police said. Four were released Wednesday night. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

Umbrellas are in the forecast over next few days

WEATHER If you were planning to go ice fishing or cross-country skiing over the March break you may be out of luck.

Even some runs down southern Ontario's ski hills may be problematic.

With rain forecast in ski country for the next few days along with slightly higher than average temperatures during the day and no lows of below freezing, it may be hard to slalom your way down the ski hills.

While some skiers were reporting great conditions Thursday, by Friday the rains may wash out any hopes of a ski weekend.

And even though the skies may clear by Monday, daytime highs of about 10 C may put an end to the snow, says David Phillips, a climatologist with Environment Canada.

Rain is forecast for the first few days of March break. Then, come Tuesday, the sun should break out.

"There will be ... more rain," Phillips said. "It will feel more like May than April and here we are in March."

Officially, spring, according to the calendar, doesn't start for another nine days. And, yet, spring-like weather has covered the GTA and other regions for a number of days.

Ironically, Phillips said, April in many previous years hasn't been as warm as it is now.

"It's a done deal," he said. "You're going to get rain (Friday), Saturday and Sunday." **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**

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Tax collectors collect $45G windfall

Severance packages kick in with HST, despite employees keeping jobs

More than 1,250 Ontario tax collectors will get a severance package worth up to $45,000 each despite the fact they won't be losing their jobs.

The move, part of the province's plan to harmonize sales taxes with Ottawa, will see the provincial collectors become federal employees, triggering a payout critics said amounted to tens of thousands of dollars to change business cards.

The opposition parties said it shows how wrongheaded the HST is, but Premier Dalton McGuinty said they province is simply honouring an existing collective agreement.

"There's an important part of our brand as a province, as a government, when we do business with each other and when we do business with the world, is that when we give you our word, our word is our word," McGuinty said after an unrelated event in Listowel, Ont.

"I guess the alternative is we could introduce legislation in the house and say: 'Look, you signed a deal and we signed a deal (but) it's no longer convenient for us to respect that deal.'

1,250

The number of Ontario tax collectors getting a severance package of up to $45,000 in addition to keeping their jobs.

"Where does that take you?"

Earlier this week, the Ministry of Revenue quietly announced the buyouts for more than 1,250 provincial collectors who will now work for Ottawa.

"Essentially all employees will be made offers of employment to a CRA office in the same geographic location," the release said.

What the move really amounts to is giving a hefty six-month severance package to bureaucrats to simply change job titles, said Progressive Conservative critic Ted Arnott.

NDP Leader Andrea Horwath said the windfalls just went to show "how wrongheaded" the HST policy really was. "It really does show that the government didn't think this out very well," she said.

Finance Minister Dwight Duncan said Thursday the severance clause was introduced into the collective agreement by the Conservatives when they were in power. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Anesthetist charged with sexual assaults

CRIME Toronto police are appealing to women who may have been sexually assaulted while having surgery at North York General Hospital to come forward after a staff anesthetist has been charged.

George Doodnaught

Dr. George Doodnaught, 61, has been charged with three counts of sexual assault after three women reported they had been attacked while under an anesthetic at the hospital.

The victims are women aged between their mid-30s and late 80s.

The first victim told police she was attacked in 2007, and two others said they were assaulted this year. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Colourful weather **Teeing up for spring**

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Golfer Rich Acosta, centre, chips to the snow covered pin as fellow golfers Rich Tanabe, left, and Cliff Fraser, right, watch the ball fly as the threesome enjoys the very early round at Hidden Lake Golf Club in Burlington. The course opened with temporary greens but many golfers were out with coloured balls to contrast against the last of the snow.

Power plant gets temporarily blocked in Oakville

ENERGY Oakville has put a temporary roadblock in the way of plans for a 900-megawatt gas-fired power plant that is opposed by the town and a coalition of citizen groups.

But it won't stop TransCanada Energy from ultimately building the plant, according to company spokesman Chris Breen.

This week, the town's committee of adjustment turned down a request by TransCanada and Ford Motor Company, the landowner, for variances to reduce the parking standards and setbacks from railway tracks at the site.

The town has temporarily frozen development of the site with an interim control bylaw that prohibits construction of any power plant 10 or more megawatts in size, pending an impact study by the town. That study will be ready for council on March 29. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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Finding an end to leukemia's 'death sentence'

Community launches drive for Chinese stem-cell donors

Jason Cheung was really hoping to tell his story.

The 23-year-old York University physics student was going to explain to a news conference Friday morning how his search for a matching stem-cell donor had so far proven fruitless, and how the acute myeloid leukemia, which a marrow transplant could have cured, had brought him to the brink of death.

But Cheung won't be there. His blood cancer, eminently treatable with the stem cells replete in healthy donor marrow, has put him in the intensive care unit of a Toronto hospital, where his search may well be over.

But Susan Go hopes Cheung's missing narrative will still be heard.

And Go, co-chair of the National Chinese Stem Cell Drive, hopes it will help prompt thousands of Chinese Canadians to enter this country's stem-cell database, so avoidable tragedies like Cheung's won't be repeated.

"This is what we're confronting in the Chinese community ... it's like a death sentence," says Go.

The conference is also being held by the One Match stem-cell and marrow network.

Chinese Canadians make up only two per cent — or some 5,000 entrants — of this country's stem-cell registry. Internationally, people of Chinese heritage make up an exceedingly small and disproportionate two per cent of global databases.

By contrast, Caucasians make up 82 per cent of Canada's registry.

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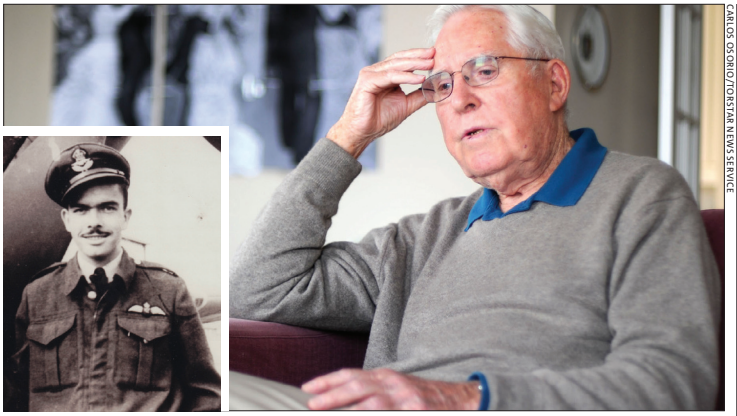

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Second World War veteran George MacDonnell has participated in the Memory Project. Inset: Brian MacConnell, shown during the Second World War, also shared with the Memory Project.

Memory Project brings the past to life

HISTORY As a pilot of the famous Spitfire fighter planes, Brian MacConnell knows he had one of the more exciting gigs in the Second World War. MacConnell can regale any eager youngster with tales of dive bombing and shooting down enemy aircraft.

But even he can appreciate the challenge facing high school history teachers trying to make the war interesting to today's wired teens.

"History can be a bore," MacConnell, 87, says. "My hope is that being a live part of the history of the Second World War might increase their interest."

MacConnell is one of more than 700 veterans across the country who have participated in The Memory Project: Stories of the Second World War, a growing digital archive of veterans' personal stories and memorabilia.

"Students are far more interested in face-to-face conversations with veterans than they are with reading textbooks," says George MacDonnell, who fought with the Canadian army in the Battle of Hong Kong and was a Japanese prisoner of war for nearly four years.

MacDonnell, who has written a book about the battle and his experience as a PoW, has visited nearly 100 high schools in the last decade, trying to help students understand Canada's involvement in the Pacific.

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Siemens set to lay off hundreds in Hamilton

INDUSTRY About 550 employees at the Siemens Energy gas turbine plant in Hamilton are set to lose their jobs over the next year as the German industrial conglomerate relocates the facility to North Carolina.

The jobs will be eliminated over the next 12 to 18 months, with the plant slated to close completely by July 2011, the company announced Thursday.

Siemens will relocate production from the Hamilton plant to an expanded unit in North Carolina, which it plans to turn into a global production hub for a type of gas-powered turbine for electric utility plants.

The company said it made the decision based partly on projected changes in North American market demands and in outside markets. Over the last two years, 90 per cent of production at the Hamilton plant has been exported, with more than 75 per cent going to the United States.

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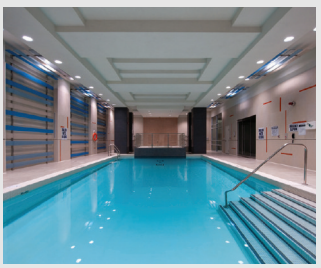
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Walker retires as Ward 22 councillor

Toronto city council is losing its maverick voice. After 28 years representing North Toronto's Ward 22, St. Paul's, Coun. Michael Walker announced Thursday he won't run for re-election Oct. 25. His retirement opens the door for his executive assistant, Chris Sellors, who announced his candidacy for the seat. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Ride down memory lane ... on the love train

CONTEST You might say she stopped him in his tracks.

The attractive young woman made a passing remark about the beauty of the falling snow on a December morning to a young man on the same Lakeshore East GO train.

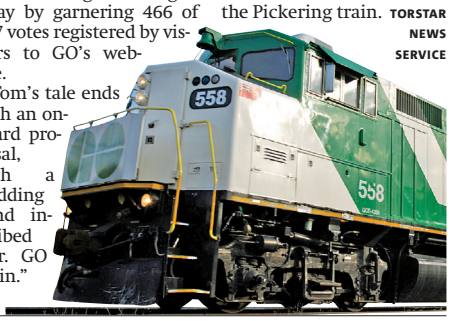
He was emboldened to mumble what, at the time, seemed a witty reply. In retrospect, he says, it was "something more or less incomprehensible."

"This tremulous beginning launched a love affair of 17 years and counting," he recently wrote to GO Transit. It also turned out to be the winning story of romance on the rails among 133 entries in GO Transit's first Valentine's Day contest.

Tom and Lorraine of Whitby — they didn't want their last name published — won a Niagara Falls getaway by garnering 466 of 947 votes registered by visitors to GO's website.

Tom's tale ends with an onboard proposal, with a wedding band inscribed "Mr. GO Train."

The runner-up was Darlene, who charmed the clueless object of her affections by Googling the answers to the daily crossword, so she could "help" him on the ride home on the Pickering train. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



Commencement of Environmental Assessment Screening
Proposed Pedestrian/Services Tunnel & Perimeter Road
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Initial Public Meeting

The Toronto Port Authority ("TPA") is commencing an environmental assessment (EA) screening under the Canada Port Authority Environmental Assessment Regulations to consider proposed pedestrian tunnel access to the Billy Bishop Toronto City Airport ("BBTCA"). The project would also allow for improved access to services for the BBTCA and a perimeter road to improve access to airport lands. The proposed tunnel access would be constructed in the bedrock under the Western Gap of the Toronto harbour. This notice confirms the commencement of the EA screening, which will include public consultation.

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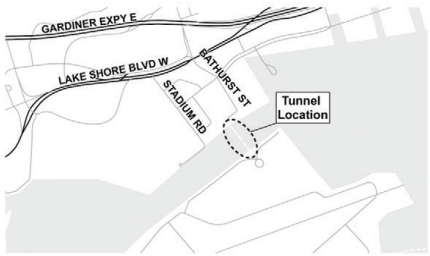

There will be an initial consultation event on Wednesday March 24, 2010, where information about the project and the EA screening will be available. You are encouraged to attend to provide your views about the project, the EA screening and how you wish to be consulted. People are welcome to drop-in at any time during the event. Representatives of the TPA and Dillon Consulting Limited, which has been retained to assist with the Project and the EA screening, will be available to provide information, answer questions and receive comments.

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Premier Dalton McGuinty, in this file photo, is under fire from opposition parties over a land transfer they claim awarded developers who paid thousands to attend a dinner with McGuinty.

NDP wants details on dinner with developers

The opposition parties can take all the shots they want, Premier Dalton McGuinty said Thursday, as long as people know he would never betray their trust by giving special favours to those who make donations to the Liberal party.

"I can't recall what we talked about at a dinner last week, let alone a dinner that we had two years ago."
Premier Dalton McGuinty

For the second day in a row, the New Democrats demanded answers about a land transfer they claim rewarded developers who paid $5,000 each to attend a private dinner with McGuinty. They charge legislation that followed the dinner increased the value of the developers' lands by about $30 million.

McGuinty wasn't in the legislature Thursday, but accused the NDP of playing politics with the issue when he responded during a local announcement in Listowel, Ont.

"They're doing what they do, and you guys gotta write the stories, but I've been doing this for 20 years now, and I hope that people get the sense that I wouldn't do that stuff," McGuinty said.

"That would be to betray the confidence of Ontarians."

Voters deserve to know who attended the May 2008 dinner and what was discussed, said NDP Leader Andrea Horwath.

"The average Ontarian who's worried about their ER closing or losing a child-care space or not being able to get a job — they can't pay $5,000 a plate to have the ear of the premier and of his top cabinet ministers," she said.

"So who was there? What was being talked about? These are pretty basic questions that I think the government needs to come clean on."

McGuinty declined to say if the developers lobbied him at the dinner for the legislation.

"I can't recall what we talked about at a dinner last week, let alone a dinner that we had two years ago," he said. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Potentially violent patient on the loose from CAMH

SEARCH A 26-year-old man committed to a Toronto mental health facility for trying to kill his father is on the loose after giving staff the slip Wednesday afternoon.

Nathan Allen Clarke was last seen at the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health facility on Queen Street West at 2:30 p.m.

Nathan Allen Clarke

He left his medication behind. Without it, police said he suffers from mood swings and can become erratic.

Clarke was arrested in January 2004. His father, 51 at the time, was stabbed repeatedly in the back of the head and on his hands at a house on Seneca Drive in Oakville that he shared with his son.

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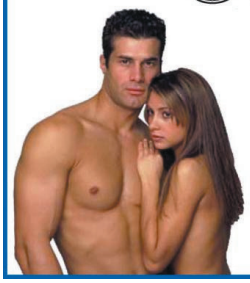

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Police seek suspect in Campbellville shooting

Halton regional police are looking for three suspects after a 37-year-old Newmarket man was shot during a robbery in Campbellville, just west of Milton. Sgt. Brian Carr says the victim and another man arrived at the Mohawk Inn in a truck Wednesday night and were confronted by two men in the parking lot. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'Ken did everything that he could'

Baby Kendra McGregor-Einboden's mother and family have so many things they want to tell the 5½-month-old, when she's old enough to understand.

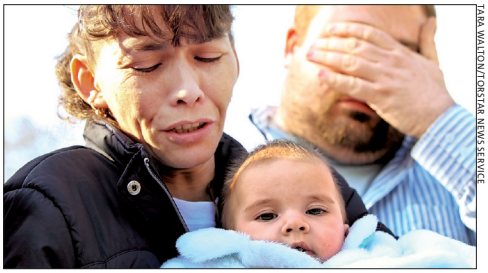
They want to tell her that her father Ken Einboden, 44, loved her so much he sacrificed his life to rescue her and her sister Britney, 12, from a fire that engulfed the family home on Sunday afternoon.

"I have to tell her later in life," Kendra's mother, Jackie McGregor-Einboden, said on Thursday as she hugged her daughter outside the burned-out family home on Kemp Square, a quiet cul-de-sac in North York near Jane Street and Lawrence Avenue West.

"Ken did everything that he could," she said.

Jackie McGregor-Einboden broke into tears, as she recalled feeling helpless, as she talked to Britney at the Hospital for Sick Children before she passed away on Monday. "I couldn't do nothing for Britney when she lay there (in the hospital)," she continued. "It's the hardest thing you can ever imagine. ... I offered her my lung. I knew that she could hear me."

Baby Kendra's mother also wants to tell her how much her big sister Britney loved her, and how much love they felt from strangers in the GTA after the fire. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE



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Jackie McGregor-Einboden speaks to the media outside of her North Toronto home Thursday with four month old daughter Kendra and family friend Richard Leftley.

Men in hospital after lake swim

HARBOUR Two men were taken to hospital with hypothermia after police fished them out of Lake Ontario overnight.

Police received a call around 3 a.m. about two people swimming in the harbour. Officers from the nearby marine unit pulled the men out of the water.

The men, in their 20s, were taken to Toronto General hospital. Police say the men may have been drinking. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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- Removing the standard requirement for live-in caregivers to undergo a second medical examination when applying for permanent residence, a change advocated by the late Juana Tejada.

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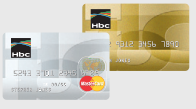

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He died during 34-hour emergency room wait — now his story will be told on TV

Television networks were to be in court Friday in a bid to televise the upcoming inquest into the death of 45-year-old Brian Sinclair, who died during a 34-hour wait at a Winnipeg emergency room in 2008. Sinclair was a homeless double amputee. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Salut, Vermont

Quebec and Vermont have signed deals on sharing data and expertise in the agrifood and agriculture sector after a two-day meeting between Premier Jean Charest and Gov. James Douglas. They also signed an accord on the management of Lake Champlain — and Douglas was invested as an officer of the Order of Quebec. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Facing up to the new Canada

Quebec bars niqab-wearing woman, debate starts

"We want to see your face." That was the message from a Quebec minister to a Muslim woman wearing a religious face-covering.

The woman refused to remove her niqab, a Muslim face covering that reveals only the eyes.

And she was expelled from government-sponsored language classes.

The move sparked controversy not only in Quebec but in Toronto and across Canada.

The question: Is Quebec a far-sighted pioneer or intolerant loner.

Like Quebec, Ontario also sponsors language courses for immigrants. But newcomers to Ontario are allowed face coverings in their courses.

"We are an open Ontario," said Indira Naidoo-Harris, for Ontario Citizenship and Immigration Minister Eric Hoskins. "We are committed to creating an open society where all Ontarians are respected."

British Columbia, like many other provinces doesn't have a defined policy on face coverings in government-funded language courses.

In Nova Scotia, "people have a right to express themselves anyway they wish around their faith," said immigration minister, Ramona Jennex.

Other provinces declined to comment about the steps taken by Quebec, though government officials in Manitoba acknowledged they are monitoring the situation there.

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Is this the new reality? Statistics Canada predicts visible minorities will account for one-third of the country's population by 2031.

"We are an open Ontario."
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Beaten Canadian on mend

CRIME The parents of a Manitoba man pushed out of his wheelchair and beaten at an Australian train station say he is recovering nicely following surgery.

"Talking to him last night, I can just tell in his voice that he's going to be back to himself," Shellan Proden said from her home in Winnipeg Beach.

Heath Proden, 35, had to undergo surgery for a fractured skull and swelling near his brain following the attack Tuesday night.

Two boys, aged 15 and 16, have been charged with causing grievous bodily harm. THE CANADIAN PRESS

News in brief

FINANCE Parliamentary budget watchdog Kevin Page says Ottawa's plan to balance the budget is still about $10 billion short. Page said he believes Ottawa is far too optimistic about how quickly it can balance the budget. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Canada rebukes Israel over expansion

The federal government has made a rare criticism of Israel over the expansion of Jewish settlements in East Jerusalem. In a statement Thursday, Foreign Affairs Minister Lawrence Cannon said the settlements are an obstacle to the pursuit of peace in the region. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Nunavut man guilty in killing of Mountie

COURT Jury members broke into tears Thursday after finding a Nunavut man guilty of first-degree murder for shooting a Mountie in the head while the officer sat in his police truck.

Pingoatuk Kolola, a 39-year-old father of six, was charged after RCMP Const. Doug Scott was shot at close range on the night of Nov. 5, 2007, in Kimmirut on Baffin Island.

Kolola did not dispute that he shot the 20-year-old officer, but he testified during his trial in Iqaluit that he fired to scare him, not hurt him.

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Mother testifies she didn't know toddler drank drug

CALGARY The mother of a toddler who died of a methadone overdose testified Thursday in Calgary that she would have rushed the child straight to hospital if she had realized the girl had taken the powerful drug.

Often fighting back tears, Lisa Guerin repeatedly insisted she thought she was leaving a healthy 16-month-old Summer in the care of her father for the weekend.

Guerin is charged with manslaughter, criminal negligence and failing to meet her parental duties. Summer's father, Jonathan Hope, faces the same charges.

"If I had known Summer had got into anything, not only just her, both her and (her older brother) would have gone to the hospital and we would not be sitting here right now," Guerin told court.

However, her friend Amanda MacDonald told court earlier this week that both Guerin and Hope saw Summer with an orange stain on her shirt.

She said Guerin acknowledged the little girl must have drank Hope's methadone, but the mother was concerned about leaving on time to get to a job as an exotic dancer in a town several hours away.

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Prime Minister Stephen Harper stands in the House of Commons Thursday and is given a standing ovation as he replies to a question about last week's throne speech.

Canada on track: PM; feds off rails, says Iggy

Leaders debate recent throne speech, agenda

Stephen Harper is claiming a gold medal for economic management, equating Canada's record performance at the Olympics with the achievements of his government.

The prime minister boasted Thursday that the minority Conservatives have put Canada on track to emerge stronger and faster from the worldwide recession than any other industrialized country.

But Liberal Leader Michael Ignatieff suggested the government is off the rails. He said the Tories have no plan — other than gimmicks and empty symbolic gestures — to ensure Canada will be able to compete in the uncertain economic climate ahead.

The two leaders made their arguments during debate on last week's throne speech, which outlined the government's "recalibrated" agenda for a new session of Parliament.

Ignatieff said the throne speech shows no sign of a recalibrated agenda, proving that Harper's controversial suspension of Parliament was strictly to "dodge questions on the Afghan detainee scandal."

Harper spent the first five minutes of a 20-minute speech Thursday — which for the first time was streamed live on YouTube — extolling the funding, training and hard work that produced Canada's record gold-medal haul at last month's Winter Games.

He said his government has applied the Olympic can-do spirit to last year's recession and this year's nascent recovery.

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Harper online

- More than 8,000 people tuned into Harper's speech on YouTube. Viewers were encouraged to send questions to the prime minister, some of which Harper is to answer next week via YouTube.

Man charged in cop killing dies, SIU reports

WINGHAM The 70-year-old man charged with first-degree murder in the death of an Ontario Provincial Police officer has died in hospital.

Const. Vu Pham was shot and killed Monday after pulling over a pickup truck on a rural southwestern Ontario road.

Fred Preston was shot after another officer got to the scene in Wingham, Ont.

Preston had been in critical condition since then, but the province's Special Investigations Unit, which is handling the investigation, said he died Thursday.

Relatives of Preston say he died in the evening after he was taken off life support.

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Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney arrives Thursday at a Carleton University classroom in Ottawa to deliver a speech to post-graduate economics students across Canada via video conference.

Mild winter a bad sign: Expert

Balmy temperatures and snow-free sidewalks may have brought smiles to the faces of Canadians coast to coast over the past few months, but the record-setting winter conditions are causing consternation and anxiety for one senior Environment Canada climatologist.

David Phillips said this winter, the warmest and driest on record for 63 years, may be setting the stage for a summer plagued by a host of problems ranging from droughts to rampant insect populations.

Temperatures from December through February were four degrees higher than what's considered normal for this time of year, he said, adding that precipitation levels were 22 per cent lower than usual across the country.

"The weather we're blessing right now may be the weather we're cursing three months from now when we see the full effects of it," Phillips said.

Low precipitation and moisture levels could have widespread repercussions that will be felt from everyone from farmers to fishermen, he added.

Crop producers are facing higher risk of droughts in the coming year thanks to the lack of moisture accumulated during the winter, while anglers hoping to take in some summer sport could find their efforts hampered by low water levels in the country's lakes and rivers, Phillips said.

Dry conditions in the wilderness increase the risk of forest fires, while warm temperatures provide an ideal breeding ground for all manner of insects, pests and viruses.

Mosquitoes, grasshoppers and dreaded pine beetles — which have already devastated swaths of forest in B.C. — have likely survived the unseasonably mild winter and may emerge in full force in the coming months, he said.

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A steady increase

- The most recent data suggests that the definition of the typical Canadian winter may be changing. Seasonal temperatures have increased about 2.5 degrees over a 63-year period, Phillips said, adding the rest of the world has warmed more slowly with an average of three-quarters of a degree.

News in brief

MEMORIAL A steady stream of people visited a funeral home Thursday in the southwestern Ontario community of Wingham to pay their respects to the family of Const. Vu Pham. The Ontario Provincial Police officer was shot and killed Monday after pulling over a pickup truck in a rural area. About 100 people were lined up before visitation even began.

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Seniors' home operator charged with assaulting residents
The owner-operator of a residential care facility in Hamilton has been charged with the assault of two senior residents. Danica (Donna) Kozar, 47, of Mount Hope, was arrested Wednesday. THE CANADIAN PRESS

'We set our tiny miracle free'

Baby in court fight dies in parents' arms

A brain-injured baby whose parents dropped a court battle to keep him on life support has died in their arms.

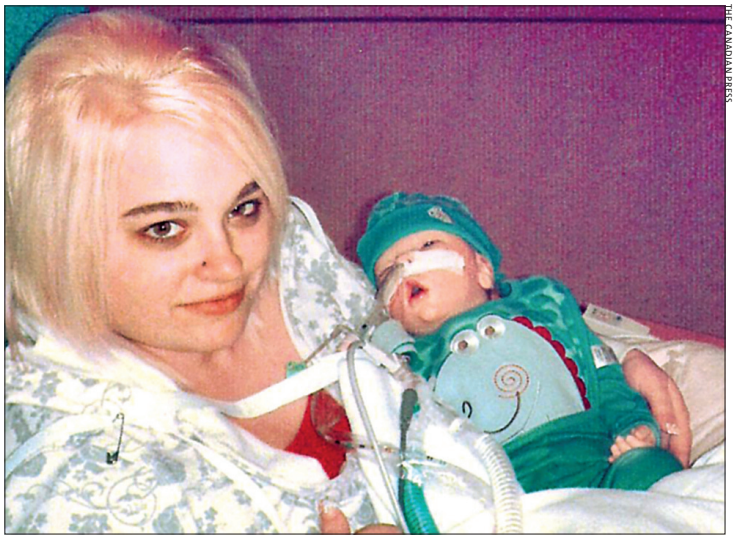
Rebecka and Isaac May had been seeking to consult with medical experts to review whether their son, Isaiah, should be unhooked from the medical equipment that was keeping him alive.

Their lawyer, Rosanna Saccomani, said in Edmonton Isaiah was surrounded by his family when he died around noon Thursday.

"Isaiah has been a blessing to us and his spirit will always be in our hearts," the parents said in a statement read by Saccomani.

"We will never forget the miracle of his birth, the Christmas we spent together and the early spring day when we said our goodbyes.

"We will always cherish our son and the gift of time with him.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Rebecka May holds baby Isaiah May in undated family photo released Thursday.

"We have set our tiny miracle free and he is now home in the arms of angels."

The court had been slated to hear details about an independent medical review of the boy's condition, but the proceeding did not go ahead.

"Isaiah has been a blessing to us."
Rebecka & Isaac May

The baby was born last October with severe brain damage after his umbilical cord got wrapped around his throat, depriving him of oxygen.

Edmonton doctors were planning to disconnect Isaiah from a ventilator on Jan. 20.

But his parents persuaded a judge to give them time to get a second opinion. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Canada on road back to health, figures show

ECONOMY There were more signs Thursday the Canadian economy is getting healthier and stronger.

Statistics Canada reported the country posted a trade surplus of $799 million in January, compared with a surplus of $75 million in December.

And the agency said the housing market remains hot and activity is expected to pick up this spring as buyers rush to the market before new mortgage rules and the HST set in.

The fact export activity is rising even as the Canadian dollar remains strong — generally making goods made in the country more expensive — is a big positive, but also reinforces suggestions the recovery will be a slow one.

In an RBC Economics report, chief economist Craig Wright said he believes a recovery is "solidly taking root in Canada."

The report forecast Canada's economy is poised for real growth of 3.1 per cent this year and 3.9 per cent in 2011, fuelled by a peak in stimulus investment, improved credit markets and a recovery in consumer spending. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Exports, imports

- Exports increased 0.5 per cent in January to $33 billion from $32.9 billion in December.
- Imports, after two months of increases, declined 1.7 per cent to $32.2 billion in January from $32.8 billion in December.

News in brief

BIRTH Quebec has moved closer to offering free in vitro fertilization for couples who are unable to conceive. Health Minister Yves Bolduc said Thursday the extent of the coverage proposed by the province would be unmatched in North America. Bolduc estimates it will cost Quebec taxpayers $32 million for the first year. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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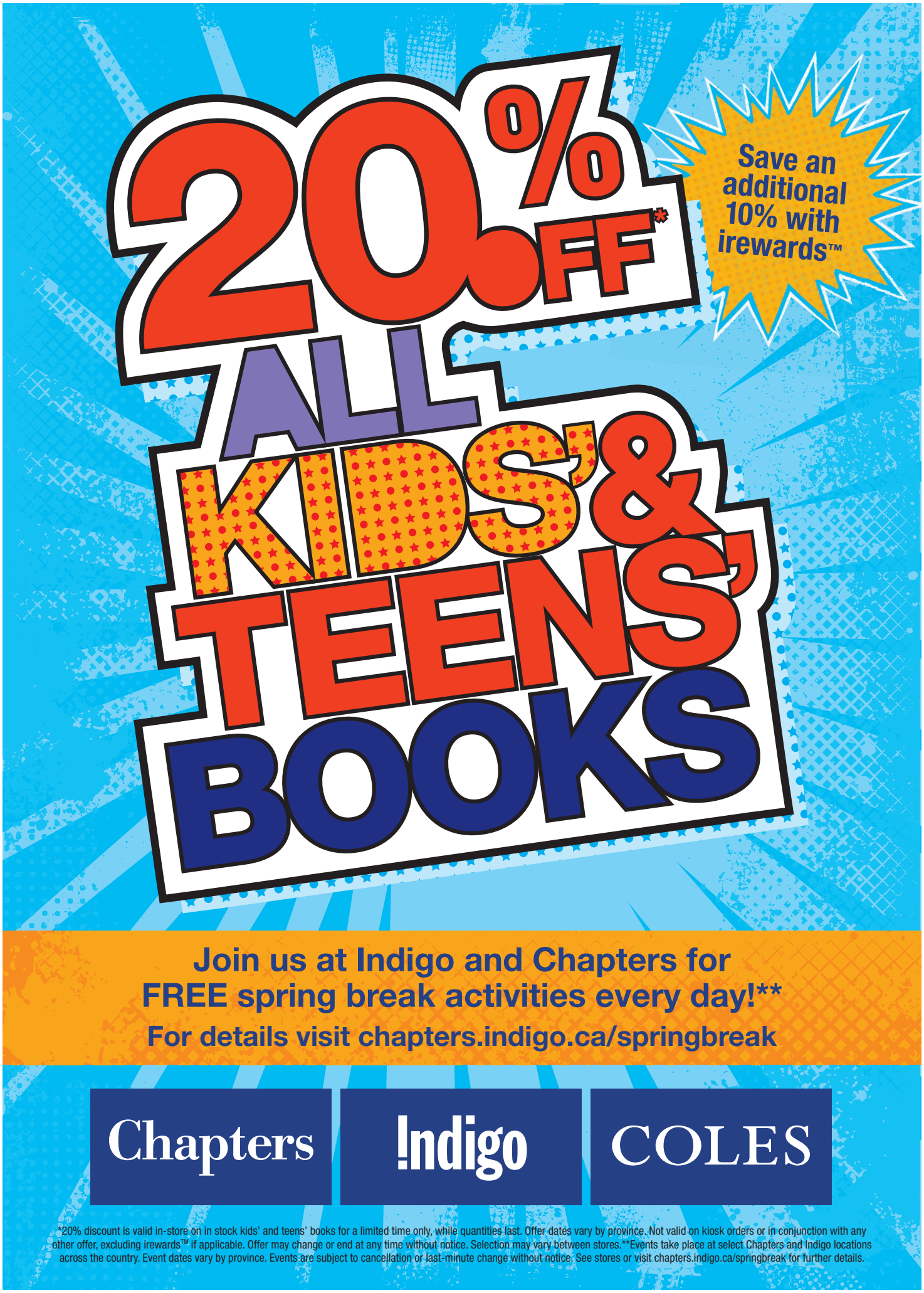
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British court grants bail to former Bosnian vice-president

Britain's High Court granted bail Thursday to former Bosnian vice-president Ejup Ganic, who was arrested at London's Heathrow Airport on a Serbian war-crimes warrant earlier this month. The 64-year-old was arrested March 1 for his alleged role in the 1992 death of Yugoslav army troops in Bosnia. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

World

China urged to change currency policy

President Barack Obama is urging China to change a currency policy that U.S. manufacturers say has cost millions of Americans their jobs. Obama said Thursday in a speech that a Chinese movement "to a more market-oriented exchange rate" is needed to help efforts to rebalance the global economy. The Obama administration wants China to allow its currency, the yuan, to rise in value against the dollar.

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China **Jump for the camera**

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A traffic police officer takes photos of ushers jumping in front of the Great Hall of the People during a session of the annual National People's Congress in Beijing, China, Thursday.

Greek cuts spark violence

Protesters clash with police amid another general strike

Clashes between riot police and rock-throwing, masked youths broke out during a demonstration Thursday in central Athens by tens of thousands of striking workers protesting austerity measures that the Greek government has said it has no choice but to implement.

The debt-ridden country is under intense pressure from both markets and the European Union to reduce its deficit from 12.7 per cent of economic output in 2009 to 8.7 per cent this year. Last week, Greece introduced a harsh $6.5-billion austerity package that cut civil servants' wages, froze pensions and raised consumer taxes.

The new cutbacks, added to a previous $15.24-billion austerity plan, sparked a wave of strikes and protests from labour unions whose reaction to the initial measures had been muted. Thursday's 24-hour general strike, the second in about a week, grounded airline flights, halted public transport, suspended news broadcasts and left public hospitals working with emergency staff.

Demonstrators took to the streets of Athens and Thessaloniki, banging drums and chanting slogans such as "no sacrifice for plutocracy," and "real jobs, higher pay." They were joined by uniformed police, coast guard and fire service officers.

About 200 black-clad youths in crash helmets and ski masks fought sporadic street battles with the police through central Athens, smashing shop, bank and hotel windows and bus stops, setting trash bins on fire, and punching and kicking motorcycle police. After the march ended, the violence spread to a nearby square where tear gas sent customers running from open-air cafes.

Police said 13 policemen were injured and 16 people were detained, nine of whom were arrested.

Limited clashes also broke out during a demonstration by about 14,000 people in the northern city of Thessaloniki.

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Rioters clash with police during a demonstration against the Greek government's austerity plan in Athens on Thursday.

20,000

An unofficial police estimate put the Athens crowd at about 20,000; demonstration organizers said the actual number was much higher.

Biden tries to ease tensions over Israeli settlement plans

MIDEAST U.S. Vice-President Joe Biden attempted to soothe tensions with Israel on Thursday in a speech extolling the countries' close relationship, signalling the U.S. wants to move beyond an embarrassing diplomatic spat over settlements that tarnished his three-day visit.

Biden's visit, meant to help repair strained ties and boost a coming round of U.S.-mediated peace talks, was instead overshadowed by Israel's announcement on Tuesday that it plans to build 1,600 new apartments in a Jewish neighbourhood in disputed east Jerusalem. The plan drew a sharp condemnation from Biden, and the Palestinians have threatened to pull out of the indirect peace talks before they even begin.

Wrapping up his visit with a speech at Tel Aviv University, Biden reiterated his condemnation of the settlement plan, but he also heavily praised the close U.S. relationship with Israel. He said the U.S. "stands resolutely beside Israel against the scourge of terrorism."

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Partial results show tight race in Iraq election

VOTE First results from Iraq's parliamentary election showed the prime minister and his secular rival locked in an extremely tight contest Thursday amid fraud allegations by rival parties and a chaotic, unpredictable vote count.

The partial tallies came from only five of Iraq's 18 provinces. However, Iraqi officials who have seen results from across the country said Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki's coalition appeared to have a narrow edge over that of former prime minister Ayad Allawi, though not an outright majority.

That foreshadows tough and lengthy negotiations to build a government and choose a prime minister.

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News in brief

SANCTIONS U.S. Defence Secretary Robert Gates said Thursday that Persian Gulf allies understand sanctions are the inevitable next step in dealing with the threat of a nuclear Iran. He predicted economic sanctions will work because of broad international consensus that Iran is out of bounds.

FOOD AID An estimated 2.17-million Zimbabweans — perhaps a fourth of the country's population — are in need of food aid, the Red Cross said Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Drug cartel violence across Mexico claims eight in attacks
An American citizen, two policemen, four young men and a local government official were among those killed in attacks scattered across Mexico, as a wave of violence associated with powerful drug cartels continues. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Net freedom report finds censorship efforts growing

Regimes more sophisticated, says watchdog

Repressive regimes have stepped up efforts to censor the Internet and jail dissidents, Reporters Without Borders said in a study out Thursday.

China, Iran and Tunisia, which are on the group's "Enemies of the Internet" list, got more sophisticated at censorship and overcoming dissidents' attempts to communicate online, said Reporters Without Borders' Washington director, Clothilde Le Coz.

Turkey and Russia found themselves on the group's "Under Surveillance" list of nations in danger of making the main enemies list.

Although Zimbabwe and Yemen dropped from the surveillance list, that was primarily because the Internet isn't used much in either country, rather than because of changes by the governments, Le Coz said.

Reporters Without Borders issued the third annual report ahead of Friday's World Day Against Cyber Censorship, an awareness campaign organized by the Paris-based group.

Le Coz said repressive regimes seemed to be winning a technological tussle with dissidents who try to circumvent online restrictions. She said some U.S. firms have been aiding the regimes by selling equipment and filtering software.

Le Coz worries that more democratic nations would be joining the list.

Australia is under the group's surveillance for its efforts to require service providers to block sites that the government deems inappropriate. Critics worry the list of sites to be blocked and the reasons for doing so would be secret.

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Least tolerant countries

- Enemies of the Internet: China, Cuba, Egypt, Iran, Myanmar, North Korea, Saudi Arabia, Syria, Tunisia, Turkmenistan, Uzbekistan and Vietnam.
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On the beat **Walkin' the talk**

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NYPD police officer Michael Belogorodsky, left, speaks with a man in Russian recently in New York. Police departments across the United States are stepping up efforts to recruit officers who can speak more than one language, sometimes offering raises or sending cops abroad as part of immersion programs.

God stays, says U.S. appeals court

CHALLENGE A federal appeals court in San Francisco upheld the use of the words "under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance and "In God We Trust" on U.S. currency, rejecting arguments Thursday that the phrases violate the separation of church and state.

The 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals panel rejected two legal challenges by Sacramento atheist Michael Newdow, who claimed the references to God disrespect his religious beliefs.

"The Pledge is constitutional," Judge Carlos Bea wrote for the majority in the 2-1 ruling.

In a separate 3-0 ruling Thursday, the appeals court upheld the inscription of the national motto "In God We Trust" on coins and currency, saying that the phrase is ceremonial and patriotic, not religious.

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News in brief

BANGKOK The Thai capital braced for possible violence as anti-government demonstrators prepared to launch Friday what they hope will be one of the country's biggest protests ever, aiming to force PM Abhisit Vejjajiva to call new elections. Leaders of the Red Shirts have vowed to keep their "Million-man march" protest non-violent. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Former Cyprus president reburied

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6.9 shock hits Chile

Frightened citizens stream into streets

A series of strong aftershocks from last month's devastating quake rocked Chile yesterday as a new president was sworn into office and immediately urged coastal residents to move to higher ground in case of a tsunami.

The strongest aftershock, with a magnitude of 6.9, was nearly as strong as the quake that devastated Haiti's capital Jan. 12. There were no immediate reports of damages or injuries.

The Chilean Navy issued a tsunami warning while the U.S. Pacific Tsunami Warning Center said the aftershocks were too small to cause dangerous waves beyond Chile's central coast.

President Sebastian Pinera was inaugurated at a congressional building in coastal Valparaiso before the building was evacuated as a precaution. The seven aftershocks strongly swayed buildings, shook windows and sent frightened Chileans streaming into the street.

The magnitude-6.9 aftershock is the strongest since the day of the Feb. 27, magnitude-8.8 quake. It occurred along the same fault line, said geophysicist Don Blakeman at the U.S. Geological Survey in Golden, Colo. The USGS initially estimated the aftershock's magnitude at 7.2. "When we get quakes in the eight range, we would expect to see maybe a couple of aftershocks in the seven range," he said.

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Paraguay's President Fernando Lugo, left, and Ecuador's President Rafael Correa react yesterday as a strong aftershock strikes Chile. They were attending the inauguration in Valparaiso of Chile's new president, Sebastian Pinera. The aftershocks occurred during the ceremony.

Condoms in schools sets off storm

HEALTH The decision by a Rome high school to install condom vending machines has set off a storm in Italy, with the Catholic Church charging the move will encourage young people to have sex and Rome's mayor saying it sends the wrong message.

But the Keplero high school vowed yesterday to go ahead with its experiment, billed as the first in the capital. While it's a relative novelty for Italy, schools in several other European countries have installed the machines in hopes of curbing teen pregnancy and HIV.

> **"It's about prevention and education."**
> Antonio Panaccione, school headmaster

"This is not about stimulating the use of condoms or intercourse," Antonio Panaccione, the school headmaster, told The Associated Press. "On the contrary, it's about prevention and education."

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German abuse claims grow

SCANDAL German educators sharply criticized Catholic church officials for their handling of a spiralling child abuse scandal even as more alleged victims came forward yesterday, including a former member of the all-boys choir led by the pope's brother.

The uproar came a day before Germany's highest bishop was to meet Pope Benedict XVI in Rome.

Germany's top education representative, Ludwig Spaenle, blasted the church for failing to report cases of physical and sexual abuse in a timely fashion.

At least 170 former students from Catholic schools in Germany have come forward with claims of sexual abuse recently and others have spoken of physical abuse.

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Human rights questions raised

SYRIA Western nations must press Syria on its human rights record as the country emerges from international isolation, New York-based Human Rights Watch said yesterday. It says Syria is detaining human rights activists, journalists, and students. The U.S. recently named the first U.S. ambassador to Syria since 2005

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Americans regain some of lost wealth
The healing U.S. economy caused a boost in stock portfolios last quarter, but the gain was less than in the previous two. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

England **Pre-show rest**

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Two dogs and their owner take a break during Thursday's portion of Britain's annual Crufts dog show at the NEC Arena in Birmingham, England.

Student faces backlash

RIGHTS An 18-year-old Mississippi lesbian student says she got some unfriendly looks when she returned to school after officials cancelled the senior prom because of her request to escort her girlfriend.

Constance McMillen says she didn't want to go back, but her father told her she needed to face her classmates and school officials. She says one student told her, "Thanks for ruining my senior year."

"Thanks for ruining my senior year."
Classmate of Constance McMillen

The Itawamba County school district announced Wednesday it wouldn't host the April 2 prom at McMillen's high school.

The decision came after the American Civil Liberties Union told officials that banning same-sex prom dates violated students' rights.

The school district's board said the decision was the result of recent distractions but didn't specifically mention the girl's request.

Kristy Bennett, legal director for the ACLU of Mississippi, said the district was trying to avoid the issue.

"On Constance's behalf, this is unfair to her. All she's trying to do is assert her rights," Bennett said.

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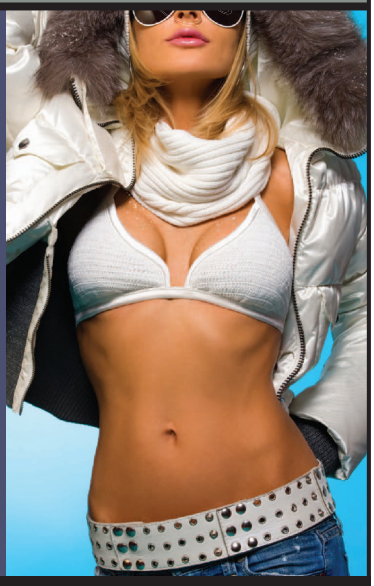

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Prostitution rising before World Cup

ELISABETH BRAW
Metro World News

In anticipation of the World Cup, the Cape Town Police's vice squad started counting prostitutes in selected neighbourhoods at the beginning of the year. It found 203. Two months later, the number had ballooned to 300. And that's just a foretaste of the tens of thousands of new prostitutes expected in South Africa for the big sports event this summer.

"It's common logic to understand that as we approach the World Cup, prostitution will increase," Cape Town police spokesman Neil Arendse tells Metro. "That's why we're intensifying our efforts to find the prostitutes."

According to Errol Vandoo, head of the Family Policy Institute in Cape Town, local and international organizations are now recruiting South African women into prostitution. "In addition, women who otherwise wouldn't have considered prostitution are getting involved with it because it's easy money, not because they're desperate," said Vandoo. According to a new report by South Africa's Central Drug Authority, an additional 40,000 prostitutes are expected before and during the World Cup.

METRO VANCOUVER NEWS

Former prostitute Erika will be walking the streets of South Africa during the World Cup hoping to convince prostitutes to quit.

According to police, most of them come from rural parts of the country.

"We're also getting more women from neighboring countries and Eastern Europe, who often don't speak English. And Chinese women in particular are arriving here without papers or with the wrong papers," notes Cape Town City Councillor JP Smith. "The other day we found a Chinese prostitute whose visa said she was here to give boxing lessons."

For many women, this is their debut in the sex business.

Erika (who doesn't want her last name published) will be walking the streets during the World Cup, too — but not to find customers. The ex-prostitute, who was raped by her stepfather at age four and sold into prostitution by her mother eight years later, will be trying to convince fellow prostitutes to quit. "They're so hungry for love and acceptance," says Erika. "But of course, the money makes it very hard to quit."

In anticipation of the prostitution boom, South Africa's police chief and several politicians proposed legalizing it. George Lekgetho, an ANC parliamentarian, suggested that legalizing prostitution would reduce rape and increase tax revenue. The bill was rejected.

Cape Town has taken the opposite approach, trying to clear the city of prostitutes.

"The pro-prostitution lobby pretends it's a Pretty Woman world, but this is an ugly business," explains City Councillor Smith, the man behind the initiative. "If we do nothing, when the World Cup ends and leaves happy memories, we'll be stuck with all these prostitutes, drugs and organized crime."

UN turns sight on overfished oceans

PROTECTION A UN body best known for protecting tigers and elephants will focus on the world's overfished oceans beginning this week with proposals to regulate the shark trade and ban the export of a tuna species prized by sushi lovers.

The increased attention on the Atlantic bluefin tuna and other marine life by the 175-nation Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species, or CITES, tops an ambitious agenda for nearly two weeks of meetings beginning Saturday in Doha.

According to the UN Food and Agriculture Organization, more than half of all marine fish stocks are under threat.

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News in brief

COURT The American Civil Liberties Union is suing state prison officials and a private company, claiming violence is so rampant at the Idaho Correctional Center that it's known as "gladiator school" among inmates. The ACLU said it would file the lawsuit Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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City's $100M surplus smells fishy

UrbanCompass

On the face of it, Mayor David Miller delivered great news earlier this week when he announced the city's 2009 surplus will be $100 million more than anticipated just one month ago. Business and residential taxes won't have to go up this year as much as forecast. All of a sudden, a balanced budget in 2011 looks within reach. A TTC fare hike next year isn't a forgone conclusion.

Why, then, does the whole thing smell like two-week-old fish?

A lot of the griping comes from those who accuse Miller of using the occasion to strike a blow at his critics. The city's improved financial circumstances, the mayor suggested, mean that any mayoral candidate who argues for the sale of city assets or the outsourcing of city services is driven by ideology rather than by necessity. Take that George Smitherman, Rocco Rossi, Giorgio Mammoliti and Sarah Thomson. All four mayoral contenders embrace privatization models to varying degrees. The only candidate for the city's top job who opposes the idea is deputy mayor Joe Pantalone — and he stood beside Miller for the $100-million good news announcement.

It was pure political gamesmanship — the kind that breeds corrosive public cynicism.

At issue is what this whole affair says about management of the city's finances. Toronto is supposed to be wallowing in financial crisis. Just recently, for instance, voters were told money was so tight it would be necessary for each city department to slash spending this year by five per cent. Then, all of a sudden, the situation wasn't quite so dire. The 2009 surplus was initially pegged at $250 million. It grew to $350 million this week.

Do organizations in financial crisis accumulate $350 million surpluses? Is it really possible that officials working for the country's sixth largest government came up with $100 million extra dollars at the last minute? Why should voters believe politicians next year when they say the city faces financial doom once again? And what's with the current mayor touting the future financial health of the city when even he admits much of next year's good news depends on whether his successor can convince the financially strapped province to fork over millions of extra dollars?

Miller was trying to score political points against critics of his record, but what he really did was further erode confidence in the way the city is run. How's that for a legacy?

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Views

Keeping your plastic fantastically safe

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There's a good chance you've had that call from your bank or credit card company telling you your credit card has been compromised and you need a new one. That happened to me two months ago. And when I asked the customer service rep how my card was stolen, she mentioned thieves stealing the information off computers.

It's ironic, because at Marketplace that was the story we were working on — the newest way crooks are stealing your debit and credit card numbers. They're called "smash-and-grab" thieves — they drive through store doors, or smash through restaurant windows — and make off with a hard drive attached to the point-of-sale terminal (where they swipe your card).

Why? Because we've learned that hundreds — even thousands — of debit and credit card numbers can remain stored on the computer hard drive. Even after it's supposedly been wiped clean.

The crooks are hitting small outlets and major chains alike. So we've put together a few tips to protect your plastic.

Whenever possible, pay cash. It might seem a bit Dark Ages, but every security expert we talked to told us they don't trust point-of-sale terminals (or those smaller hand-held debit machines).

If you must pay with plastic, experts we talked to suggest you don't use your debit card. Pull out your credit card because any fraudulent charges are guaranteed to be reimbursed by the credit card company.

Check your credit card statements carefully. Confirm you made all the purchases.

If you have concerns, ask the retailer how they ensure your information is secure. Do they wipe the hard drive clean every night?

If your card does get compromised, ask the bank where and how your information was stolen.

Find out what crooks do with your credit card information Friday on Marketplace at 8:30.

Erica Johnson is a co-host of CBC News: Marketplace, which airs each Friday at 8:30 p.m. on CBC Television.

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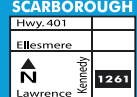

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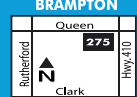

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TD's chief economist Drummond retiring

TD Bank chief economist Don Drummond plans to retire at the end of June. The economic forecaster will be succeeded by TD's deputy chief economist, Craig Alexander. Drummond will continue to work as an adviser to TD Bank. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Taxman giving away money to students

Most students wouldn't place taxes at the top of their to-do list. But filing a tax return has its perks.

Students who have little or no income may wonder whether it's worthwhile to even file a return if they don't owe anything to the tax man. For one thing, at age 19 Canadians become eligible to collect a quarterly GST/HST credit. But no cheques will come in the mail if the government doesn't have your tax information on hand.

There are a number of tax credits available, which cover tuition and many of the other expenses that come with student life.

To claim, or not

- Students need to be cautious about claiming the interest on loans. Interest on government loans is deductible, while ones promoted by banks and other private institutions are not — a distinction that tends to cause confusion.

Full-time students are eligible for a monthly $400 education credit and part-time students can get a $120 credit. They may also get a textbook tax credit of $65 for every month they qualify for the education amount, while part-timers can get $20 a month.

"That's free money as far as I'm concerned," said Cleo Hamel, a senior tax analyst with H&R Block. "You don't have to save receipts. You actually don't even have to buy any books."

There are also tax credits for public transit passes, and even for the expense of moving more than 40 kilometres away for a summer job.

These breaks may not appear to be of any use to students who don't need to pay taxes in the first place. But the credits can be carried over into the future, or transferred to a parent, grandparent or spouse.

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Palm may follow Pilot into oblivion: Experts

TECHNOLOGY Last year, Palm thought it had all the pieces for a turnaround in the market it pioneered: A new CEO known for making the iPod a household name, a sleek new smart phone called the Pre, and fresh, intuitive operating software.

Instead, the company is in danger of going the way of its 1990s Palm Pilot.

Several analysts say Palm Inc. might not remain an independent phone maker for more than a year or two. It just could be too late to stop the momentum enjoyed by Apple Inc.'s iPhone and Research In Motion Ltd.'s BlackBerrys and a growing crop of phones running Google Inc.'s Android software.

Consumers have gravitated toward smart phones for their versatile features, such as Internet access and applications that can be downloaded. But Palm was slow to adapt. It began fighting back in earnest in January 2009, unveiling the stylish touch-screen Pre and webOS, software that allows Palm phones to do something the iPhone can't — run multiple apps simultaneously.

But despite widespread availability and positive reviews, consumers haven't really embraced the products.

One big problem for Palm is standing out in a crowded market dominated by Apple and RIM. Many analysts believe Palm's latest products are good, but the company simply hasn't been able to make potential customers realize this.

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Palm may be the latest company to learn that great technology and an accomplished leader don't guarantee success.

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Alberta cuts royalty for oil industry

ENERGY The Alberta government is cutting royalty rates for the oil and natural gas industry starting next year to win back investment in the province.

The province said Thursday the maximum royalty rates for conventional oil will be cut to 40 per cent from 50 per cent, while the top rate for natural gas will be 36 per cent, down from 50 per cent. A transitional five per cent royalty rate for new wells introduced last year will also become a permanent feature.

The government said the net result will be a $363-million reduction in revenue in 2012 and 2013.

The province also said it wanted to streamline its regulatory regime by avoiding duplication in the approval process.

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EARNINGS Sprott Inc., a Toronto-based asset management firm, reported a decline in its fourth-quarter and full-year net income, which it mainly attributed to lower fee charges. Earnings for the quarter were $13.3 million, or nine cents per share, compared with $20.4 million or 14 cents per share in the prior year period.

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Transat stock hammered
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Closed soup plant to make wieners

$3-million grant kick-starts Listowel project

By Christmas, the old Campbell Soup plant in Listowel that closed last spring will be making chicken wieners under new owners and creating 500 jobs within four years.

Erie Meat Products Ltd. of Mississauga credited a $3-million grant announced by Premier Dalton McGuinty with helping move the $40-million project forward.

"This is a community that needed something big," said George Tiesma, director of business and development for Erie Meats. "We're excited for this town."

McGuinty described the new plant as a "big fish" in this farming centre north of Kitchener-Waterloo. But, on the same day the Royal Bank predicted Ontario's economic growth is accelerating to 3.3 per cent this year, the premier warned the government will turn down the tap on spending after 2010.

"Next year, the baton's over to you guys," McGuinty said in a nod to the business community. "We're going to pull out when it comes to priming the economy."

The money for Erie Meats, which supplies Costco with its Harvest Creek brand and Wal-Mart with Golden Maple deli meats, comes from the government's rural economic development fund under the "Open Ontario" initiative.

Political connections did not hurt Listowel in landing the new company: The town is in the Perth-Wellington riding of Revenue Minister John Wilkinson and next door to Agriculture Minister Carol Mitchell's riding of Huron Bruce.

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Big blow

- Listowel's economy was given a severe blow by the Campbell Soup plant's shutdown, which canned 500 jobs just as the recession was taking hold.
- The Campbell plant was the biggest employer in this town of 6,500.

Housing prices rise for third month

HOMES The price of new homes in Toronto rose for the third straight month in January, according to the New Housing Price Index.

Toronto's 0.6 per cent growth was more than the national average of 0.4 per cent, Statistics Canada reports. St. John's, N.L., led the way at 1.7 per cent growth, followed by Winnipeg (0.7), and Toronto and Oshawa (0.6). Ottawa-Gatineau, Saskatoon and Calgary all registered 0.5 per cent increases.

The largest monthly decrease in new housing prices was recorded in St. Catharines-Niagara, at a 0.4 per cent drop.

Charlottetown as well as in Saint John, Fredericton and Moncton, N.B., all registered 0.2 per cent declines.

Year over year, the New Housing Price Index was up 0.1 per cent in January, the first year-over-year increase since December 2008. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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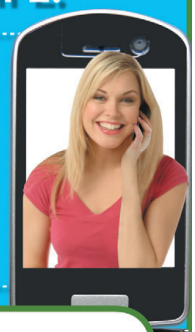
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Sports

Football legend dies

Hall of Famer Merlin Olsen, who helped form one of the NFL's greatest defensive lines before embarking on a successful career in television, died Thursday after a battle with cancer. He was 69. Olsen, left, was a member of the Los Angeles Rams' "Fearsome Foursome" in the 1960s. He later starred on NFL broadcasts, commercials, and as Jonathan Garvey on the TV series Little House on the Prairie. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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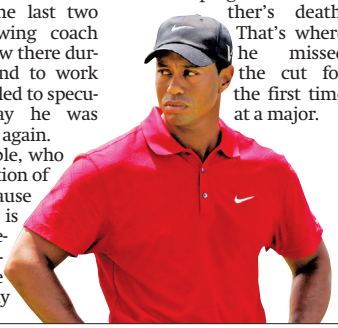
Tiger won't be back before Masters: Sources

GOLF Tiger Woods intends to remain out of golf at least until the Masters, two people with knowledge of his plans have told The Associated Press.

Woods has been practising at Isleworth near his Orlando home the last two weeks, and swing coach Hank Haney flew there during the weekend to work with him. That led to speculation Thursday he was close to playing again.

The two people, who spoke on condition of anonymity because only Woods is supposed to release such information, say he is likely to play first at Augusta National in April.

The only other time Woods played a major after such a long layoff was the 2006 U.S. Open at Winged Foot, when he was out nine weeks coping with his father's death. That's where he missed the cut for the first time at a major.



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Woods has not played since Nov. 15, when he won the Australian Masters in Melbourne for his 82nd career victory. Twelve days later, he crashed his SUV into a tree near his Florida home, setting off shocking revelations that he had been cheating on his wife. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Young Buds shine

Kessel, Bozak, Stahlberg, Caputi propel Leafs to win

Phil Kessel took a brilliant pass from Tyler Bozak and scored at 3:33 of overtime as the Toronto Maple Leafs put a dent in the Tampa Bay Lightning's playoff hopes with a 4-3 victory Thursday night.

With the teams trading chances back in forth during an entertaining extra session, Bozak intercepted a pass and broke in on a 2-on-1, deked around Lightning forward Vincent Lecavalier and slipped the puck to an open Kessel, who easily beat a sprawling Mike Smith.

Bozak also scored in regulation, while fellow rookie Viktor Stahlberg added a pair as the Maple Leafs (22-33-12) won for the third time in four games on the backs of their youth. Luca Caputi, another freshman, added two assists.

Steven Stamkos extending his points streak to 18 games with his 42nd goal of the season, Kurtis Foster and Steve Downie replied for the Lightning (27-27-11), who lost for the seventh time in eight games.

Tampa Bay — fighting for the final playoff spots in the Eastern Conference with Montreal, Boston, the Rangers and Atlanta — struggled to contain the Leafs' kids all night and eventually paid for it.

Bozak had put the Leafs ahead 3-2 just 3:37 into the third when he picked up a loose puck to Smith's right and fired it over the prone goalie. THE CANADIAN PRESS

RICK MADONIK/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Toronto's Nikolai Kulemin keeps control in the offensive end with Tampa Bay's Steven Stamkos close at hand Thursday.

Vancouver welcomes winter just in time for Paralympics

WEATHER The Paralympic Games may have fewer athletes, a leaner lineup of competitions and a smaller budget, but they will have one thing the Olympics were sorely lacking: Winter.

Temperatures have dropped in Vancouver, which was unseasonably balmy during the Olympics last month, even for the West Coast city.

Residents in some areas of the city awoke Thursday morning to see a thin blanket of snow covering the ground.

Ceremonies

- The cast of 5,000 for Friday's opening ceremonies includes performers with disabilities, wearing specially-modified costumes that take into account the equipment they use to get around.

It quickly melted, but Cypress Mountain, the ski and snowboard venue on Vancouver's North Shore which so troubled organizers in February, was expecting up to 30 cm of snow.

And with temperatures finally dropping below zero, the white stuff was expected to stick around for a while.

On neighbouring Grouse Mountain, more than 40 cm of snow had fallen over the previous three days.

Winter also ran its icy fingers over Whistler, where the Paralympic nordic and alpine events are being held. A wet, heavy snow fell, blanketing the ground and covering volunteers. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Sports in brief

BRIER Ontario survived a scare against Alberta to emerge undefeated from the round robin portion of the Tim Hortons Brier Thursday night, holding on for a 7-6 win to preserve its momentum heading into the playoffs this weekend.

NBA Officials have broken ground on a New York City development project including a $1-billion US arena for the New Jersey Nets basketball team amid hollers and whistles of the project's opponents.

BASEBALL All-star shortstop Jose Reyes has been told to rest and refrain from athletic activity for 2-to-8 weeks until his thyroid levels normalize, another blow to the New York Mets.

NFL Matt Moore has signed his one-year, $3.043-million US tender with the Carolina Panthers, who have declared him the starting quarterback going into training camp.

NFL Free agent Jake Delhomme, released last week after seven seasons with the Carolina Panthers, visited Thursday with the Cleveland Browns, who have been busy this week trying to improve their situation at QB. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Brian Giles to retire from baseball

Brian Giles says the pain in his arthritic right knee is getting worse, and the 39-year-old outfielder informed the Los Angeles Dodgers Thursday he will retire. Giles is a career .291 hitter with 287 home runs and 1,078 RBIs in 1,847 games. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Red Bulls dip into TFC talent pool

SOCCER The New York Red Bulls loaded up on ex-Toronto FC talent Thursday.

The MLS team signed Canadian goalkeeper Greg Sutton and acquired Welsh midfielder Carl Robinson in exchange for a fourth-round draft pick.

One of the first players signed by the Toronto club, Sutton was released in June 2009 after losing his job to Stefan Frei.

Robinson, 33, was declared surplus to requirements this week by new Toronto coach Preki. New York was happy to bring him on board.

"Carl is a very consistent player who will immediately contend for a spot in our starting lineup," Red Bulls GM Erik Soler was quoted on the club's website.

Robinson made 74 appearances for Toronto, with 73 of those as a starter. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Enter Soweto: Gracious hosts

The World Cup heading to Africa benefits the sport and the people

When first considering a voyage to South Africa, the host country of the 2010 FIFA World Cup, it was not without trepidation.

Crime, poverty and fear had an impact on what has always been a narrow appreciation of sport. South Africa, and Johannesburg in particular, present new waters to navigate. They also force an acceptance that most barriers can be broken down on the Earth's fields of play.

At the spectacular Soccer City stadium in Soweto, once the scene of so much strife in a racially divided country, there is now a palpable feeling that those days may be extinct. They just might be replaced by the pride that the black majority will feel when 89,000 plus gather in the sparkling new monument to a beloved game.

When Mexico and South Africa open the World Cup in early June they will do so just down the street from the dilapidated metal shacks and the memories of apartheid. The scars of a wounded society remain. Most of the people here can't afford a ticket — they can't even dream of it.

Still, they are determined to be gracious and willing hosts.

"We have seen those stars, Ronaldo of Portugal, Rooney of England and Torres of Spain, but only playing on TV," says Harold Moyo, a worker at the Soccer City stadium. "But this is special because it's the only time we will see them playing live and on our home soil and we are very proud of it."

"At the spectacular Soccer City stadium in Soweto, once the scene of so much strife in a racially divided country, there is now a palpable feeling that those days may be extinct."

At a Soweto primary school where most of the 420 students are orphans, the kids who battle back and forth with a ragged football shout the names of South African stars like Teko Modise and Steven Pienaar. But they also joyously identify international icons such as Lionel Messi of Argentina, Thierry Henry of France and Kaka, the brilliant, Brazilian midfielder.

Such is the universal recognition that the World Cup in Africa is a good thing, not just for sport, but also for human beings who are devoted to the "Beautiful Game."

"These are our country's most disadvantaged children," says Makhotso Sambo, the school's principal. "But in the World Cup and the players who come, they will see that maybe there is something better in their future if they work hard."

In Soweto, it seems, there's not a lot to fear. Instead, hope springs eternal in what is, for now, the world's most important soccer city.

Gemini Award winner and author Scott Russell is the Host of CBC Sports Weekend seen Saturday afternoons. A 20-year CBC Sports veteran, he has covered a variety of professional and amateur sports including nine Olympic games and numerous world championships.

Wallace enjoying the 'vibe' in the Jays clubhouse

BASEBALL Brett Wallace has been changing organizations at a dizzying rate despite having a reputation of being a good, young, left-handed-hitting prospect.

He's currently rated as the Toronto Blue Jays' No. 2 prospect by Baseball America but is playing for his third different organization in less than a year. Toronto drafted Wallace out of high school but he elected to attend Arizona State University, where he was Pac-10 player of the year in 2007 and 2008.

Toronto had designs on Wallace in the 2008 draft but was beaten to the punch by the St. Louis Cardinals. So the infielder went to spring training last year with the Cards before being dealt to the Oakland Athletics July 31. But Toronto finally landed Wallace Dec. 16 as part of the deal that sent ace Roy Halladay to the Philadelphia Phillies.

Brett Wallace

The frequent change of scenery has given him a different perspective.

"It's kind of fun to get to know all the little things about each organization," Wallace said. "This team, I think the biggest thing is that everyone on this team is so open to helping young guys, kind of working with everyone. I felt like the vibe when I first got here was I walked in and every single guy you see comes up shakes your hand, talks to you, wants to make you feel at home and help anyway he can. It's a fun environment to be around."

Wallace has been a third baseman in his professional career but did play some first base at ASU. The Blue Jays have him at first.

Wallace says that Toronto incumbent Lyle Overbay has been very helpful in teaching him about the position.

"I try to pick his brain and get comfortable over there. He's been awesome," Wallace said.

"He's the first guy to come over and talk to you ... and pass anything along that he can. He's been amazing." THE CANADIAN PRESS

Marcum solid

- Jays starter Shaun Marcum gave up one hit, walked none and struck out two in three scoreless innings, but Toronto lost 4-1 Thursday to a Tampa Bay Rays split-squad.

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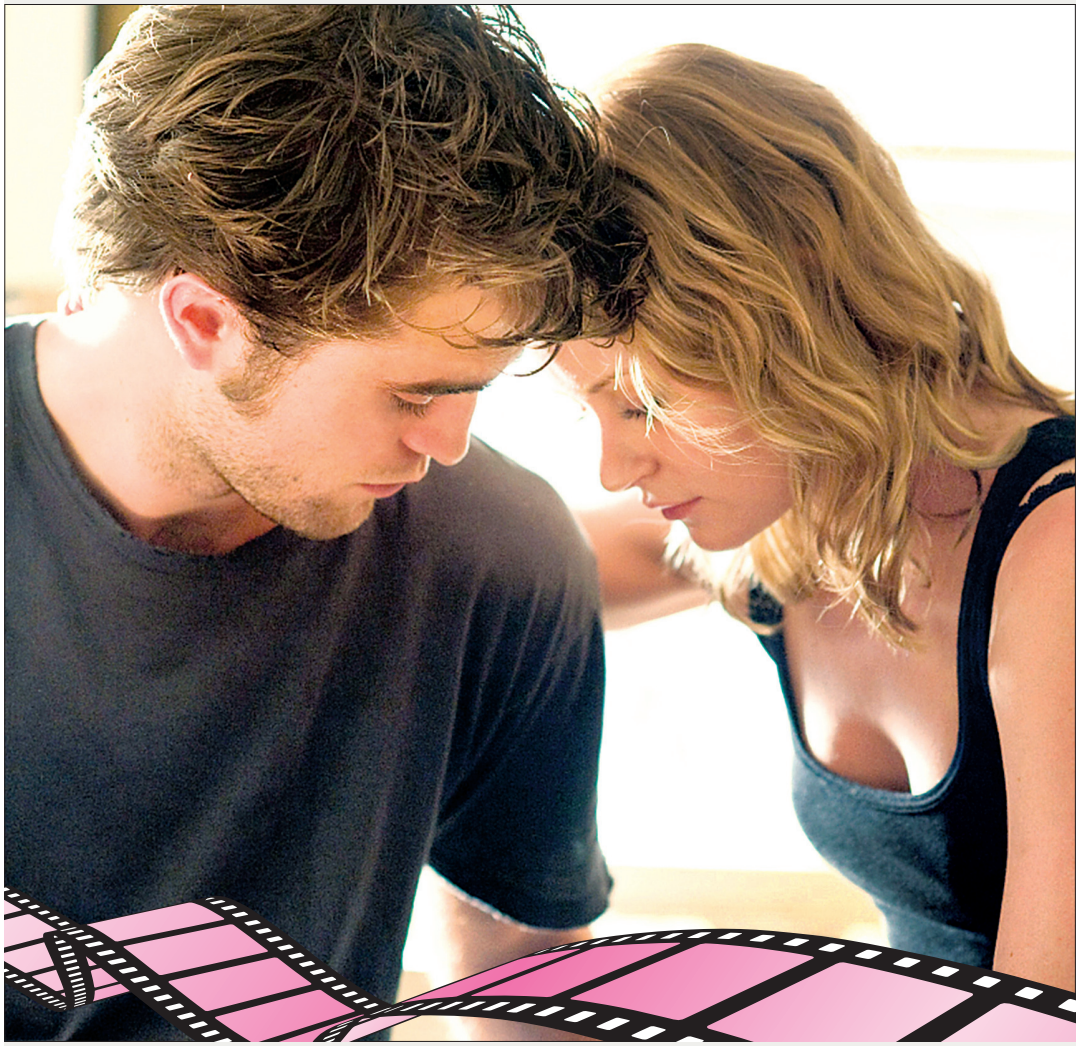

The less said about Robert Pattinson and Emile de Ravin latest film, the better, according to our reviewer.

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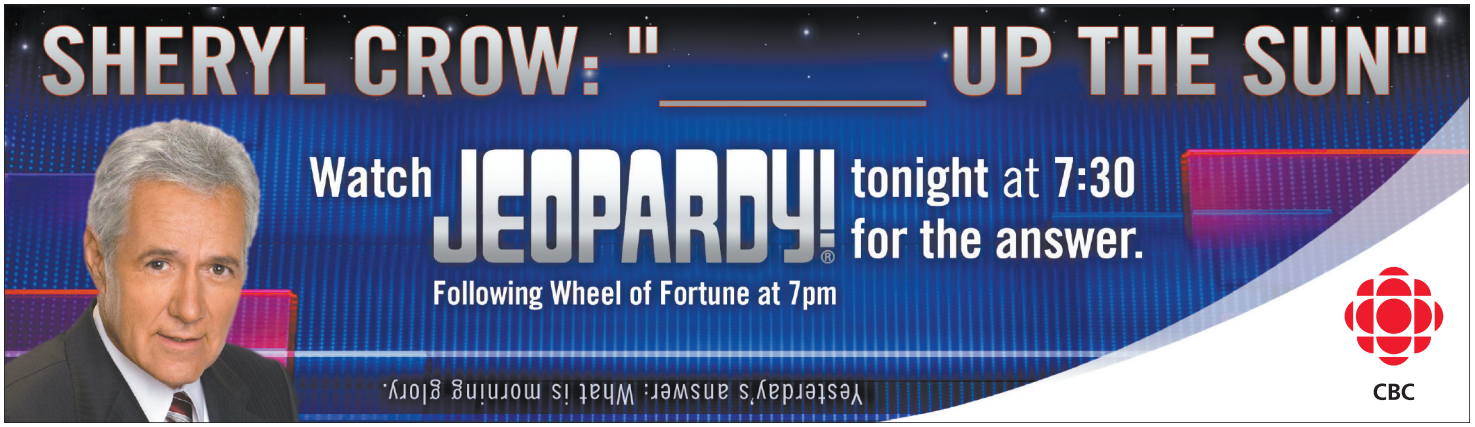

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Remember acting, not twist

Remember **Me**

Director: Allen Coulter
Stars: Robert Pattinson, Pierce Brosnan, Emilie de Ravin
Classification: 14A
Rating: ●●●

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

The new Robert Pattinson vehicle, Remember Me, is basically Ordinary People updated for the Death Cab for Cutie set, with a big "twist" ending that some will see coming from the first 10 minutes.

The problem is the twist adds nothing to the characters or story, really, and comes off feeling like a cheap gotcha move. The less said about it, the better.

On the other hand, perhaps the best thing about the movie is that watching it, all the hype about Twilight hunk Pattinson finally makes sense, since he's finally been given something to do besides mope and sparkle.

He stars as college student Tyler Hawkins, the now-oldest child of a rich New York City family fractured by tragedy. Some might find his performance a little overdone in spots, but it perfectly captures the emotional confusion of that age.

Robert Pattinson and Emilie de Ravin turn up the romantic heat in Remember Me.

Under somewhat false pretenses, he starts dating fellow student Ally (Emilie de Ravin), also from a family fractured by tragedy, though much lower down the financial totem pole.

The film is as much de Ravin's as it is Pattinson's, and she is lovely.

Pierce Brosnan, Chris Cooper and Lena Olin turn in strong supporting performances as the parents of the young lovers. The course of Tyler and Ally's relationship is nicely told and affecting. It's just a shame the filmmakers couldn't leave it at that.

On the web

Total Eclipse of the heart:

- Can't get enough of Robert Pattinson, or shall we say, Edward Cullen? Watch the brand new trailer of Eclipse, the third instalment of the Twilight Saga, at metronews.ca/movies
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Triumph of spare realism

Everyone **Else**

Director: Maren Ade
Stars: Lars Eidinger, Birgit Minichmayr
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●●●

ADAM NAYMAN
for Metro Canada

REVIEW German director Maren Ade's 2004 debut The Forest for the Trees was one of the most uncomfortable cinematic character studies in recent memory, zeroing in on an isolated young woman attempting to connect with a more stable co-worker.

Ade's award-winning follow-up Everyone Else — in limited engagement at Cinematheque Ontario — plumbs comparable psychological depths, although this time, the focus is diffused across two protagonists: Chris (Lars Eidinger) and Gitti (Birgit Minichmayr), a young professional couple vacationing in Sardinia.

What starts out as a sunny poolside reverie darkens considerably when Chris runs into a more successful colleague, whose own girlfriend makes a point of condescending to Gitti.

And the tension hardly abates when Chris and Gitti are left alone; their quietly mortifying experience with this other, more upwardly mobile couple doesn't bind them together.

Instead, they start picking at each other's scabs with a barbed skill derived from years of familiarity.

Shades, obviously, of Bergman (among others), but Everyone Else is very much a new-school art film, eschewing poetic flourishes in favour of a spare, unadorned realism.

This sort of material is only as good as its actors, and Eidinger and Michinmayr are exceptional.

Baron's strength lies in battles

The Red **Baron**

Director: Nicolai Mullerschon
Stars: Matthias Schweighoffer, Joseph Fiennes
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW The legend of The Red Baron has long transcended its German historical roots and firmly ensconced itself in pop culture.

But Nicolai Mullerschon's 2008 film adaptation — opening today in select theatres — is as miles away from the idea of the Baron as a ruthless monster as it is continents removed from Snoopy.

The film purports to tell the intimate, human story behind the Baron's feared façade, charting the rise of First World War German fighter pilot Manfred Von Richtofen and his burgeoning reputation as the most lethal fighter pilot in the blood and metal littered air.

After gunning down a Canadian pilot (played by Shakespeare In Love's Joseph Fiennes), Richtofen pulls him from the wreckage, tying of his wounds and slowly, surely befriending him. This sets in motion an awakening in The Baron about the futility and senselessness of war.

Despite Mullerschon's often heavy handed anti-war slant, the film's greatest strength is in its battle sequences.

The production values are excellent, the primarily German cast — who speak English (the film was shot this way to find a bigger international audience) — come off well.

The Hurt locker back
Following its explosive Oscar night, The Hurt Locker returns to theatres across Canada today. The war drama picked up six Academy awards, including best film and best director, Sunday. METRO NEWS SERVICES

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Politics, action don't gel in Zone

Matt Damon returns to action-hero mode in Green Zone.

Green Zone
Director: Paul Greengrass
Stars: Matt Damon, Greg Kinnear, Amy Ryan
Classification: 14A
Rating:

PHIL BROWN
for Metro Canada

Green Zone is a curious new creation by the Bourne Ultimatum actor/director team of Matt Damon and Paul Greengrass.

The film wants to be both a complicated drama about the questionable motives behind the U.S. invasion of Iraq and a relentless action thriller.

Each element is done well in isolated sequences, but they are awkwardly shoehorned together into a two-hour running time that can barely contain all of the ideas and explosions.

Had the filmmakers focused on making either an intimate political drama or a popcorn action flick, this could have been an excellent film. Instead it's merely a muddled, but interesting movie that should have been more.

Damon stars in action hero mode as a soldier whose missions to discover WMDs keep turning up empty despite constant casualties on both sides.

He tries to uncover the truth and learns that all of the intelligence reports are coming from questionable sources, the CIA doesn't seem to know what's going on, and a high profile American journalist is writing articles about an informant in Iraq who might not exist.

It's a big complicated mess, not unlike what really happened in Iraq.

But with consistent action beats coming every 15-20 minutes, it can be frustrating to slingshot from confusion to stylized battles.

The actors are well cast and the production is expertly executed, but something about the balance just doesn't seem right and it quickly becomes distracting.

Part of this comes down to director Greengrass who creates films with an inordinate emphasis on realism.

Green Zone is shot with an endlessly shaking documentary-style camera and features an incredibly detailed production design that puts the audience in the heart of the battle.

But the plot is laid in such a conventional matter that it will often take viewers out of the immersive experience.

So much of Green Zone is done well that it's an impossible movie to hate, but it doesn't add up to more than a sum of it's impressive parts.

• For a Green Zone trailer, screen times and photos — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies

What's with the Viagra?

Our Family Wedding
Director: Rick Famuyiwa
Stars: America Ferrera, Lance Gross
Classification: PG
Rating:

NED EHRBAR
Metro World News

America Ferrera and Lance Gross star in Our Family Wedding.

REVIEW In his new culture-clash comedy, Our Family Wedding, director Rick Famuyiwa tries to get beyond racial cliches by reveling in them. This, unfortunately, doesn't work at all.

Instead he presents an all-over-the-place muddle with a tone as mismatched as the cast, jumping between maudlin family moments and cheap gags involving Viagra and a goat.

The wedding of the title is between med school graduate Marcus (Lance Gross) and Lucia (America Ferrera), who've come back to Los Angeles to tell their families that they're dating, they're engaged and they're getting married in three weeks before Marcus heads off to work for Doctors Without Borders with Lucia in tow.

Oh, and Lucia has dropped out of law school. The audience is supposed to sympathize with the bland but likeable leads, but it's tough not to take the side of the shocked parents when bombshells are dropped in succession like that.

Their fathers (Forrest Whitaker and Carlos Mencia in one of the most unlikely and unsuccessful comedy pairings) butt heads as the families rally to put together a wedding that mixes both cultures, and it's really all downhill from there, culminating in the aforementioned goat — hopped up on Viagra — sexually assaulting an Academy Award-winning actor.

It's unclear what Whitaker is doing here, especially when he's matched with Mencia, whose attempts at serious acting make it seem like his character is autistic.

• For an Our Family Wedding trailer, screen times and photos — or to buy tickets — visit metronews.ca/movies

Eastwood aiming to direct Hoover biopic

Clint Eastwood is busy locking down a deal to direct a biopic about FBI founder J. Edgar Hoover written by Milk scribe Dustin Lance Black. Imagine Entertainment's power producer Brian Grazer is overseeing the film. **EMPIREONLINE.COM**

League vulgar with heart

She's Out Of My League

Director: Jim Field Smith
Stars: Jay Baruchel, Alice Eve
Classification: 14A
Rating:

STEVE GOW
for Metro Canada

Canadian actor Jay Baruchel and Alice Eve star in She's Out of My League.

Every now and again you witness a guy dating a woman who is far too gorgeous for him and you ponder, "why would she be with that dude?"

Now first-time director Jim Field Smith aims to answer that very conundrum with his better-than-it-looks comedy, She's Out of My League.

Starring Montreal's Jay Baruchel in his first big-budget leading role, the Knocked Up scene-stealer capitalizes on his lanky structure and geeky demeanour as Kirk, a humble airport employee who reluctantly meets a blonde beauty (Alice Eve) when she leaves her iPhone at airport security.

However, even though a natural attraction develops between the pair, Kirk and his misguided slacker buddies nay-say the seduction into submission, saddled mostly by Kirk's ultimate disbelief that he could land a "hard 10."

A familiar storyline that could've easily been forgettable, Smith smartly aims for the heart but goes for the groin by punctuating a formulaic film with seat-squirming indecency.

Following the similar gross-out style mastered by the Farrelly Brothers, the most memorable moments of League come courtesy of excruciating sequences involving guys' genital grooming and premature ejaculation.

If you can look beyond that level of vulgarity, this comedy reveals its true humanity — a kind-hearted look at earnest love in spite of all its insecurities.

Which is what makes this a perfect launch pad for its star. With an awkward sensitivity, Baruchel expertly captures the loser that hides within all of us with a subtlety that's truly believable amongst the mayhem. Besides, if he can land a "hard 10," there's hope for the rest of us!

Cactus mean and meaty

Cactus

Director: Jasmine Yuen-Carrucan
Stars: Travis McMahon
Classification: STC
Rating:

CHRIS ALEXANDER
for Metro Canada

REVIEW John is a company man. He isn't a hero, he isn't really a villain, he's just an ordinary guy hired to some rather unsavoury things.

See, John (played by actor Travis McMahon, with steel eyed intensity) is the middleman in an operation to bring a deadbeat professional gambler into the hands of the men he owes a great deal of money too.

The fact that he batters, hog ties and throws this high roller into the trunk of his car is just part of the gig.

That's the set up of first time writer/director Jasmine Yuen-Carrucan's sweaty, claustrophobic outback neo-western Cactus. As the conflicted John drives his quarry across the sun bleached Australian outback, a kind of profane cat-and-mouse chess match of words develops between the men and in true "noir" fashion, none of it ends happily.

Cactus is grim, grimy stuff, jamming almost all of its action into the galloping car while trapping its audience in a similar inescapable environment.

Occasionally, this nail-biting two hander is interrupted by an eccentric heavy or two, including actor Bryan Brown (who also co-produced) as a sadistic outback cop, a flamboyant turn that offers some colour in a film that — despite its oppressively sunny sheen — is as dark as it gets.

Brown has claimed that Cactus can be viewed as part of an emerging subgenre dubbed the "Aussie Film": rough, dusty, mean morality tales set in the desperation of the outback. This might be true, but the themes of duplicity and violent rites of passage are universal.

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Captain America down to three
Despite rumours that several actors have tested for the role of Captain America, the superhero role is now a race between three: Mike Vogel (Cloverfield), Garrett Hedlund (Tron: Legacy), and Chris Evans (The Fantastic Four), according to Deadline.com. EW.COM

Reel Time

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Take issues, add fun, gently stir

Director serves up a different taste of India

ANNE BRODIE
for Metro Canada

Don McKellar and Lisa Ray star in Dilip Mehta's Cooking with Stella, a comic fable set in the split world of New Delhi, India.

Ray plays a newly installed Canadian High Commissioner and McKellar's her stay at home husband; they have a tough time adjusting to the class system in their own home.

They live in the relative luxury of the diplomatic compound staffed by servants who live in the real, down and dirty New Delhi, including a cook named Stella who runs a black market business with Canadian supplies.

"It was great to be in India and have a job and a reason to be there," says McKellar. "It's not the easiest city to explore; it's a chaotic city, but it's a sensual city. The cliché about India is true — it is very sensual with smells and sounds and noise. And touch! People touch you, there is no personal space. It's sort of overwhelming.

"We decided to make a light satire so people can enjoy it. We could be Canada's answer to the Coens!"
Director Dilip Mehta

"And then you see the compound where we live in the film. It's the real Canadian High Commission and it looks like York University. That's what's so funny about it. Indians get the joke but foreigners don't. It looks ridiculous in the middle of Delhi."

Cooking With Stella opens next Friday

His character's relationship with Stella is a complicated one. She doesn't want him breathing down her neck while she bootlegs the Commission's food and supplies. She reluctantly agrees to be his cooking guru and ups her con game.

Filmmaker and photojournalist Dilip Mehta nursed the idea for a story for years.

"Being from the subcontinent, we've grown up with domestic staff in the family and the whole thing of people waiting on you has always rankled me, the inequality and disparity between the haves and have nots. I always had an idea to address it but as a photo essay. I realized there was a dimension missing, the element of sound. I didn't want to do a documentary because it would be hard to find the right people. So maybe I could give it a shot as fiction but because of the subject matter.

"I didn't want to be Dilip pontificating on a soapbox. So I showed great astuteness by enlisting the help of my sister Deepa and together we decided to make a light satire so people can enjoy it. We could be Canada's answer to the Coens!"

Cooking with Stella director Dilip Mehta.

He wanted to reflect a more realistic contemporary India.

"We have all seen the exotic, erotic and poverty films about India. But there is a 300 million strong middle class. Why aren't we doing stories about that? Because colour and poverty sell. If I said this about Slumdog Millionaire, you'd be talking about me in the past tense. I'd be dead."

Canadian actor Don McKellar and Seema Biswas take the kitchen by storm in Cooking With Stella.

Prodigal Sons intensely personal

Prodigal Sons
Director: Kimberly Reed
Classification: STC
Rating: ●●●½

KUMAR SAHA
Metro Canada

Director Kimberly Reed with her brother Marc in the documentary Prodigal Sons.

REVIEW Everyone has seen their fair share of dysfunctional families, sibling rivalry and harrowing meltdowns on screen.

Last year's Oscar-nominated Rachel Getting Married and Wes Anderson's cineaste fave The Royal Tenenbaums are two memorable examples of damaged characters locked in emotional turf wars with blood relations.

Transsexual filmmaker Kimberly Reed's maiden project Prodigal Sons covers similar territory with a crucial distinction — it's all too real.

Reed's intensely personal documentary begins with her return to Helena in rural Montana to attend her high school reunion, after a 20-year absence. The catch? She grew up and left her hometown as popular athlete and pin-up kid Paul McKerrow, an identity that she was relieved to shed through surgery.

Reed's mission? To pit herself against any gender pre-conceptions that her family and old friends might have and, most importantly, to build bridges with her estranged brother Marc.

The older McKerrow bears scars of his own. Marc was adopted and had always been insecure about his place in the family. A car accident left him with a part of his brain missing, a heavy-duty pill regimen and unpredictable mood swings, the last of which provides the doc with some of its most searing moments.

The polarity of these siblings — Reed's discomfort with a past that Marc constantly drags her through — propels the film's narrative.

The further Marc digs into his personal history — he discovers he is actually the grandson of film greats Orson Welles and Rita Hayworth — the harder it becomes for him and Reed to reconcile.

Reed, also a successful magazine editor in New York, throws plenty of heavyweight issues such as gender, identity and mental illness into the mix. Some of them stick, some don't.

In the end, Prodigal Sons works best as a heart-on-sleeve portrait of a family picking up its broken pieces and working hard to make it wholesome once again despite the odds.

Atwood joins Hockey

ROLE Canadian literary icon Margaret Atwood says she's joined the star-packed cast of the film, Score: A Hockey Musical.

The writer blogs about a recent day on set that saw her hanging out with retired NHL'r Eddie Shack and Theo Fleury, musician Dan Hill, and hockey dad Walter Gretzky.

Atwood says she plays herself in a brief cameo, and sings.

The film stars Toronto's Noah Reid as a teenage hockey phenom, and features Grease star Olivia Newton-John and Canadian musician Marc Jordan as his parents.

Other previously announced stars who've signed on to the project include pop star Nelly Furtado, who plays a zealous hockey fan, and musicians Dave Bidini and Hawksley Workman.

Score: A Hockey Musical is set for release Oct. 22.

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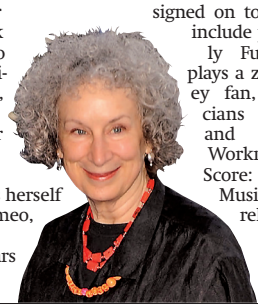

Screen Times

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DOWNTOWN

BLOOR THEATRE
506 Bloor St., 416-516-2330

2001: A Space Odyssey (STC) Thu 4
Broken Embraces (14A) Sat 9 Mon 4:30
Cannibal Girls (STC) Thu 9:30
Encirclement: Neo-Liberalism Ensnares Democracy (STC) Sat 2
Garbage Dreams (STC) Wed 6:30-9:15
The Last Station (14A) Fri 4:30 Sun 1 Mon-Tue 7
Prodigal Sons (STC) Fri-Sun 7 Mon-Tue 9:15 Thu 7
The Road (14A) Sun 9 Tue 4:30
The Wolfman (18A) Fri 9

CARLTON
20 Carlton St., 416-598-2309

CUMBERLAND CINEMAS
159 Cumberland Ave., 416-646-0444

The Messenger (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7-9:45
A Prophet (18A) Fri-Wed 11:45-12:15-3:15-3:45-6:45-7:15-10:15-10:45 Thu 11:45-12:15-3:15-3:45-7:15-10:15-10:45
A Single Man (PG) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:30-10

SCOTIABANK THEATRE
259 Richmond St., 416-368-5600

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:50-1:30-4:10-7:10 No Passes Sun 1:30-4:10-7:10 No Passes Mon-Thu 10:50-1:30-4:10-7:10
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 11:30-12:10-2:10-3:10-5-6-7:50-9-10:40-11:40 No Passes Sat 12:10-3:10-6-7:50-9-10:40-11:40 No Passes Sun 12:10-2:10-3:10-5-6-7:50-9-10:40 No Passes Mon-Thu 11:30-12:10-2:10-3:10-5-6-7:50-9-10:40
Alice in Wonderland: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10-11:45 No Passes Sun-Thu 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri 10:40-11:40-2:20-3:20-6:10-6:50-9:50-11:10 Sat 11:40-3:20-6:10-6:50-9:50-10:30 Mon-Tue 10:40-11:40-2:20-3:20-6:10-6:50-9:50-10:30 Wed 10:40-2:20-6:10-9:50-10:30 Thu 10:40-11:40-2:20-3:20-6:10-6:50-9:50-10:30
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 11:35-2:4:50-7:35-10:10
Dear John (PG) Fri-Thu 11:10-1:50-4:40-7:40-10:20
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-6:40-9:30 Fri-Thu 11:1:40-4:30-7:20-10:30
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Sat 12:20-3:40-7:10-10:50 Sun-Tue 12:20-3:40-7:10-10:25 Wed 12:20-4-7:10-10:25 Thu 12:20-3:40-7:10-10:25 Fri-Tue 11:20-3-6:20-9:40 Wed 11:45-3-6:20-9:40 Thu 11:20-3-9:40
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Sat 10:45-1:20-4:20-7:30-11:20 Sun-Thu 10:45-1:20-4:20-7:30-10:15
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Sat 11:50-2:30-5:10-8-11 Sun-Thu 11:50-2:30-5:10-8-10:35

MARKET SQUARE
80 Front St., 416-494-9371

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri-Sat 1:3:40-6:50-9:15-11:30 Sun-Thu 1:3:40-6:50-9:15
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-6:45
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 3:45-9:10
Green Zone (14A) Fri-Sat 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:30-11:50 Sun-Thu 1:10-3:50-6:40-9:30
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Sat 1:30-4-7-9:25-11:45 Sun-Thu 1:30-4-7-9:25
She's Out Of My League (14A) Fri-Sat 1:20-4:10-7:10-9:35-11:55 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:10-7:10-9:35
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 3:30-6:30-9:20

REVUE CINEMA
400 Roncesvalles Ave., 416-531-9959

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Sat-Tue 2 Wed 4
The Book of Eli (14A) Fri 9:30 Sat 7 Sun 9:30 Mon 7 Tue 9:30
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Mon 4 Thu 4
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Sat 9:30 Wed-Thu 9
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 7 Sat 4 Sun 7 Mon 9:30
The Princess and the Frog (G) Thu 2
Six Figures (STC) Tue 7
Tillie's Punctured Romance (STC) Sun 4
A Town Called Panic (PG) Tue-Wed 4 Thu 7

Alice in Wonderland with Johnny Depp opened with a strong first week in the theatres.

THE ROYAL
608 College St., 416-466-4400

Le Donk & Scor-zay-zee (STC) Sat 5:15
The Last Waltz (STC) Tue 7 Wed 9
Michelle Gun Elephant Thee Movie - Last Heaven 031011 (STC) Sat 3
Nowhere Boy (14A) Sat 9
Private Screening (STC) Thu 9:15
Separado! (STC) Sat 1
When You're Strange (STC) Sat 7
The White Stripes: Under Great White Northern Lights (STC) Fri 9 Sun-Mon 9 Tue 9:15 Wed-Thu 7
The Young Victoria (PG) Fri 7 Sun-Mon 7

VARSITY
55 Bloor St. W., 416-961-6304

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:15-5:7:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:10-9:40
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-4-6:40-9:30
The Ghost Writer (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:40-6:50-10 Fri-Thu 12:55-4:05-7:05-9:55
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:10-10:20 No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-3:45-6:25-9:25
The Last Station (14A) Fri-Thu 12:25-3:15-6:05-9:05
Last Train Home (STC) Fri-Thu 1:40-4:40-7:30-9:50
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7-10:10 Fri 6:45-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:45-3:35-6:45-9:45
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Tue 12:40-3:20-6:20-9 Wed-Thu 12:40-3:20

CANADA SQUARE
2200 Yonge St., 416-646-0444

The Blind Side (PG) Fri 4:15-7:15-10 Sat-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:15-10
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 4:05-6:55-9:40 Sat-Thu 1-3:40-6:30-9:20
An Education (PG) Fri 4:20-6:45-9:20 Sat-Thu 1:20-4:20-6:40-9:10
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 9:30
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri 4:50-7:30-10:10 Sat-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:30-10:10
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri 4:30-7:05 Sat-Thu 1:40-4:30-7
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 4:40-7:20-9:55 Sat-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:20-9:50
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 4:10-7-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:50-4-6:50-9:40
The White Ribbon (14A) Fri 4-7:10-10:15 Sat-Thu 12:45-3:50-7:10-10:15

MT. PLEASANT THEATRE
675 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-489-8484

The Last Station (14A) Fri-Sat 7 Sun 4:30 Tue 7 Wed 9 Thu 7
No Films Showing Today (STC) Mon
A Single Man (PG) Fri 9:30 Sat 4:30-9:30 Sun 7 Tue 9:15 Wed 7 Thu 9:15

REGENT THEATRE
551 Mt.Pleasant Rd., 416-480-9884

The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri 6:50-9:25 Sat 4-6:50-9:25 Sun 4:15-7 Mon 7 Tue-Thu 7-9:25

YONGE-EGLINTON CENTRE
2300 Yonge St., 416-544-1236

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1:20-2:15-4:10-5-7-7:45-9:50-10:30
Avatar (PG) Fri 2:30-6:30-10:15 Sat 6:30-10:15 Sun 2:30-6:30-10:15 Mon 2:30-10:15 Tue-Thu 2:30-6:30-10:15
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 11:45-3:15-6:40-9:45 Sat 11:45-6:40-9:45 Sun-Thu 11:45-3:15-6:40-9:45
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 6:20-9:30
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 1-4:40-7:30-10:20 No Passes Sat 12:15-3:15 No Passes Sun-Thu 1-4:40-7:30-10:20 No Passes Sat 7:30-10:20
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Tue 12:45-4:20-7:15-10:10 Wed 4:20-7:15-10:10 Thu 12:45-4:20-7:15-10:10 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:30-3:45-6:50-9:40 No Passes Wed 3:45-6:50-9:40 No Passes Thu 12:30-3:45-6:50-9:40 No Passes Wed 1
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 12:15-3:30-6:45-10 Sat 3:30-6:45-10 Sun-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:45-10

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10 Dundas St East, 416-977-2642

The Blind Side (PG) Fri 1:50-4:35-7:25-10:10 Sat-Sun 10:55-1:50-4:35-7:25-10:10 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:35-7:25-10:10
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:40-3:40-4:40-6:35-7:35-9:45-10:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:45-12:40-1:40-3:40-4:40-6:35-7:35-9:45-10:30 Mon 1:40-3:40-4:40-7:35-9:45-10:30 Tue-Thu 1:40-3:40-4:40-6:35-7:35-9:45-10:30
Cactus (STC) Fri 12:50-3:05-5:15-7:45-10:05 Sat-Sun 10:40-12:50-3:05-5:15-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 3:05-5:15-7:45-10:05
Cop Out (14A) Fri 1:35-2:35-4:05-5:05-6:40-7:40-9:10-10:10 Sat-Sun 11:05-12:05-1:35-2:35-4:05-5:05-6:40-7:40-9:10-10:10 Mon-Thu 1:35-2:35-4:05-5:05-6:40-7:40-9:10-10:10
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 2:45-5:30-8:05-10:40 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:45-5:30-8:05-10:40 Mon-Thu 2:45-5:30-8:05-10:40
An Education (PG) Fri 2:25-4:50-7:10-9:35 Sat-Sun 12-2:25-4:50-7:10-9:35 Mon 2:25-4:50-7:10-9:35 Tue 2:25 Wed 2:25-9:35 Thu 2:25-4:50-7:10-9:35
The Ghost Writer (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:10-2:10-4-5-6:50-7:50-9:50-10:50 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:10-1:10-2:10-4-5-6:50-7:50-9:50-10:50 Mon-Thu 2:10-4-5-6:50-7:50-9:50-10:50
Green Zone (14A) Special Engagement Fri 2:25-3:25-5:25-6:40-8:20-9:40-11 Special Engagement Sat 11:40-12:40-2:25-3:25-5:25-6:40-8:10-9:40-10:50 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2:25-3:25-5:25-6:40-8:10-9:40-10:50 Special Engagement Fri 1:40-4:25-7:30-10:20 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:50-1:40-4:25-7:30-10:20 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:40-4:25-7:30-10:20
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:45-7:35-10:25
Our Family Wedding (PG) Special Engagement Fri 2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:15-9:55-10:55 Special Engagement Sat 11:30-12:30-2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:15-9:55-10:55 Special Engagement Sun 11:30-12:30-2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:15-9:55-10:45 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 2-3-4:40-5:40-7:15-8:15-9:55-10:45
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 2:30-5:15-8-10:40 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:30-5:15-8-10:40 Mon 2:30-5:15-8-10:40 Tue 2:30 Wed-Thu 2:30-5:15-8-10:40
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri 2:40-5:20-7:50-10:35 Sat-Sun 12:05-2:40-5:20-7:50-10:35 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:20-7:50-10:35
The Red Baron (STC) Special Engagement Fri 1:25-4-6:45-9:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:40-1:25-4-6:45-9:30 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:25-4-6:45-9:30
She's Out Of My League (14A) Special Engagement Fri 12:35-1:35-2:35-3:15-4:15-5:15-6:15-7:8-9-10-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:11:45-12:35-1:35-2:35-3:15-4:15-5:15-6:15-7:8-9-10-10:45 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 1:35-2:35-3:15-4:15-5:15-6:15-7:8-9-10-10:45
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 1:15-7:05 Mon-Thu 7:05
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 7:05-10 Sat-Thu 4:10-10
When in Rome (PG) Fri 3:05-5:35-7:45-10:15 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:05-5:35-7:45-10:15 Mon-Thu 3:05-5:35-7:45-10:15

WEST END

ALBION CINEMAS
1530 Albion Rd., 416-742-3456

Atithi Tum Kab Jaoge (STC) Fri-Sun 3:15-9:30 Mon-Thu 4-6:15-8:45
Jawani Zindabad (STC) Fri-Sun 3-6-9 Mon-Thu 4:30-8
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri-Sun 6

QUEENSWAY
1025 The Queensway, 416-503-0424

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:15
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1:20-2:15-4:10-5-7-7:45-9:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:35-10:20
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-3:10-6:45-10:05
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:50-6:10-9:10
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:15-10
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:35-6:55-9:40
Dear John (PG) Fri-Thu 9:30
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:20-3:25-7:05-10:10
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Tue 12:55-4:30-7:30-10:15 Wed 4:30-7:30-10:15 Thu 12:55-4:30-7:30-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-3-6:15-9:25
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Tue 1-3:50-6:50-9:55 Wed 3:50-6:50-9:55 Thu 1-3:50-6:50-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:40-9:35
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-4-7:20-10:50
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:20-6:20
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 1:55-4:55-7:50-10:45 Sat 7:50-10:45 Sun-Thu 1:55-4:55-7:50-10:45
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:55-7:25-10:25
The Wolfman (18A) Fri 1:50-4:45-7:40-10:40 Sat 7:40-10:40 Sun-Thu 1:50-4:45-7:40-10:40

WOODBINE CENTRE
500 Rexdale Blvd., 416-213-1998

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri-Thu 1:05-4-6:55-9:25
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:45-7:10-9:30
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 7:25-9:45
Green Zone (14A) Fri-Thu 1-3:55-6:50-9:40
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:45-5:7:15-9:30
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-3:50-6:40-9:15
She's Out Of My League (14A) Fri-Thu 1:10-4:05-7-9:20
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 3:45-6:40-9:35
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-2:50-5:05

EAST END

BEACH CINEMAS
1651 Queen St. E., 416-699-5971

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 3:30-6:45-10 Sat 6:45-10 Sun-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:45-10
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 4-7-9:50 No Passes Sat-Thu 1-4-7-9:50
Remember Me (14A) Fri 4:15-7:15-10:10 Sat-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:10
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:30-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:20
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:20-6:30-9:40 Sat-Thu 12:3:20-6:30-9:40

FOX THEATRE
2236 Queen St. E., 416-691-7330

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Wed-Thu 2
It's Complicated (14A) Wed-Thu 7
The Princess and the Frog (G) Sat-Tue 2
The Road (14A) Wed-Thu 9:15
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Sun 9 Mon-Tue

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The Young Victoria (PG) Fri 7 Sat-Sun 4:15-7 Mon-Tue 7

NORTH YORK

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4861 Yonge St., 416-590-9974

Avatar 3D (PG) Fri 6:30-10:10 Sat-Thu 2-6:30-10:10
The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Sat 3:30-6:35-9:45 Sun-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:35-9:45
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 3:50-7:10-10:20 Sat-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:10-10:20
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri 4:10-6:50-9:30 Sat 1-6:50-9:30 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:30
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 3:40-7:9:40 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:40-7-9:40
From Paris With Love (14A) Fri 4:40-7:15-9:50 Sat 7:15-9:50 Sun 1:20-4:40-7:15-9:50 Mon 7:15-9:50 Tue-Thu 1:20-4:40-7:15-9:50
The Ghost Writer (PG) Fri 3:20-6:45-9:55 Sat-Thu 12:25-3:20-6:45-9:55
Remember Me (14A) Fri 4:20-7:20-10 Sat-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:20-10
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri 4 Sat-Thu 1-4
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 3:45-6:20-9:35 Sat 6:20-9:35 Sun-Thu 12:40-3:45-6:20-9:35
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:20

EMPRESS WALK
5095 Yonge St., 416-223-9550

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) Stadium Seating, No Passes Fri-Sat 1:50-2:20-4:30-5:20-7:10-8-9:50-10:35-11:59 Stadium Seating, No Passes Sun 1:50-2:20-4:30-5:20-7:10-8-9:50-10:35 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 11:20-11:45-1:50-2:20-4:30-5:20-7:10-8-9:50-10:35
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:10-2:30-4:50
Astro Boy (PG) Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 11
The Crazies (18A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 2:10-5:10-7:40-10:15 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 7:40-10:15
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:30
Green Zone (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sat 1:30-4:15-7-9:40-11:55 Stadium Seating Sun 1:30-4:15-7-9:40 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 10:50-1:30-4:15-7-9:40
The Last Station (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 1:05-3:40-6:40-9:20 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 6:40-9:20
Our Family Wedding (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 2:30-5:7:30-10:10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Sun 2-4:40 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 11:25-2-4:40
Planet 51 (PG) Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 11:10-1:20-3:40
She's Out Of My League (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sat 1:15-4-6:50-9:30-11:45 Stadium Seating Sun 1:15-4-6:50-9:30 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 10:45-1:15-4-6:50-9:30
Shutter Island (14A) Stadium Seating Fri-Sat 1-1:40-3:50-4:50-6:45-7:50-10:10:50 Stadium Seating Sun 1-1:40-3:50-4:50-6:45-7:50-10 Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 1-3:50-6:45-7:50-10
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 11:30-2:10-5:10
Valentine's Day (PG) Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 7:20-10:20

SILVERCITY YORKDALE 6
3401 Dufferin St., 416-444-3456

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1:20-2:15-4:10-5-7-7:45-9:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:15-10
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-3:10-6:50-10:20
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 12:10-6:45-9:30
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:15-10:15
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:25
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:40-9:50
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-3:50-7:10-10:10
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:15-6:30-9:55
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 3:20

SILVERCITY FAIRVIEW
1800 Sheppard Ace. E., 416-644-7746

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-1:15-2:15-4:10-5-7-7:45-9:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2:30-6:30-10:10
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7:20-10:25
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 6:40-9:20
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10-10:20
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:15
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:45-6:50-9:40
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:45-4:30-7:30-10:15
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-3-6:20-9:30

SCARBOROUGH

COLISEUM SCARBOROUGH
300 Borough Dr., 416-290-5217

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:25-6-8:55
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3:30-7:10:30
The Book of Eli (14A) Fri 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25 Sat 7:25-10:25 Sun-Thu 1:25-4:25-7:25-10:25
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1

Timothy Olyphant and Radha Mitchell are up against a deadly plague that turns people into killers in The Crazies.

The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:35-10:15
Dear John (PG) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:05-9:55
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:20
Miss You Like Crazy (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:15-7:15-10:05
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:45
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 No Passes Sat 12:55-3:55-6:55-10:10 No Passes Sun-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Vinnaithandi Varuvaay (PG) Fri-Thu 2:10-6:10-10
When in Rome (PG) Fri 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 Sat 6:50-9:50 Sun-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50

EGLINTON TOWN CENTRE
1901 Eglinton Ave. E., 416-752-4494

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7-9:50
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:50-2:10-3:40-5-6:30-7:45-9:20-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:20-10
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:45-7:05-10:25
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:40-10:35
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 1-4:45-7:30-10:40
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:10-10:20
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Wed 1:10-4:40-7:15-10:05 Thu 4:40-7:15-10:05 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:30-6:50-9:40
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:20-7:20-10:15 Thu 4:20-7:20-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:50-10:50
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:45-10:10
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 11:40-2:20-5:10-7:55
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:10-6:40-9:30
Vinnaithandi Varuvaay (PG) Fri-Thu 1:40-6:10-9:45
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Thu 10:45

401 & MORNINGSIDE
785 Milner Ave., 416-281-2226

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:15-4-6:40-9:30
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:45-2:20-5-7:40-10:20
Avatar (PG) Fri-Thu 8:45
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3-6:50-10
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:10-9:45
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 7:50-10:35
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-10:10
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Thu 1-3:35-6:30-9:15
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:15-6
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:25-6:15-9
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 2-4:45-7:30-10:30
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:45-7:20-10:25
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:45-5:15

KENNEDY COMMONS 20
33 William Kitchen Rd., 416-335-5323

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:30-4-6:30-9 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:1:30-4-6:30-9 Mon-Thu 1:30-4-6:30-9
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) Special Engagement Fri 12:30-2:15-3-4:45-5:30-7:15-8-9:45-10:30 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:45-12:30-2:15-3-4:45-5:30-7:15-8-9:45-10:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-2:15-3-4:45-5:30-7:15-8-9:45-10:30
The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:25-7:20-10:20
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 12:30-1:30-3:30-4:30-6:30-7:30-9:30-10:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-1:30-3:30-4:30-6:30-7:30-9:30-10:30
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 12:25-3-5:30-8-10:25
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 2:15-4:50-7:40-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:15-4:50-7:40-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:50-7:40-10:15
Defendor (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:10-5:35-7:55-10:20
An Education (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:45-5:05-7:35-9:55
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:25-7:20-10:15
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 4:50-10:05 Sat-Sun 11:35-4:50-10:05 Mon-Thu 4:50-10:05
The Last Station (14A) Fri 2-4:35-7:10-9:55 Sat-Sun 11:25-2-4:35-7:10-9:55 Mon-Thu 2-4:35-7:10-9:55
Last Train Home (STC) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 1-3:15-5:25-7:45-10
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri 2:55-6:20-9:45 Sat-Sun 11:30-2:55-6:20-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:55-6:20-9:45
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri-Thu 12:05-2:35-5:05-7:40-10:10
Remember Me (14A) Special Engagement Fri 12:10-1:45-2:45-4:20-5:20-6:55-7:55-9:30-10:25 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 11:10-12:10-1:45-2:45-4:20-5:20-6:55-7:55-9:30-10:25 Special Engagement Mon-Thu 12:10-1:45-2:45-4:20-5:20-6:55-7:55-9:30-10:25
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10:05
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Thu 2:20-7:35
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Thu 12:25-2:55-5:20-7:45-10:10

WOODSIDE CINEMAS
1571 Sandhurst Circle, 416-299-3456

Atithi Tum Kab Jaoge (STC) Fri-Thu 4:30-7-9:30
Karthik Calling Karthik (PG) Fri-Thu 4
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:30

PEEL REGION

CINÉ STARZ
377 Burnhamthorpe Rd. E., 905-290-2401

The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Thu 12-5:25
The Book of Eli (14A) Fri-Thu 7-9
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Fri-Thu 3:25
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri-Thu 7
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Thu 9
Leap Year (PG) Fri-Thu 9:15
The Lovely Bones (PG) Fri-Thu 9:15
Planet 51 (PG) Fri-Thu 12:1:40-5:15
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri-Thu 12-1:45-3:30-5:15
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri-Thu 5
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Thu 12:1:45-3:25-7:15
When in Rome (PG) Fri-Thu 2:15-3:50-7:40

COLISEUM 10
309 Rathburn Rd., 905-275-3456

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:30-4:15-7-9:50
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-12:30-2:15-3:10-5-6-7:45-8:45-10:30
Alice in Wonderland: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10-11:45 No Passes Sun-Thu 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 10:45-2:30-6:20-10:15
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 11:15-2-4:40-7:40-10:40
Dear John (PG) Fri 1:20-4:30-7:20-10:10 Sat 4:30-7:20-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:20-10:10
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 1-4:10-7:30-10:50 No Passes Sun-Thu 1-4:10-7:30-10:50
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Tue 12:50-3:40-6:50-9:45 Wed 3:40-6:50-9:45 Thu 12:50-3:40-6:50-9:45 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:45-9:40
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Sat 11-1:40-4:50-8-11 No Passes Sun-Tue 11-1:40-4:50-8-10:45 No Passes Wed 4:50-8-10:45 No Passes Thu 11-1:40-4:50-8-10:45 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:20-6:40-10
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 12:40-4:7:10-10:20 Sat 12:40-7:10-10:20 Sun-Thu 12:40-4-7:10-10:20

COURTNEY PARK 16
110 Courtney Park Dr., 905-362-1210

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:20-4:15-7:45-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:30-1:20-4:15-7:45-10:45 Mon-Thu 10:30-1:20-4:15-7:45-10:45
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) Digital, Special Engagement Fri 12:50-3:45-7:15-10:15 Digital, Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10-12:50-3:45-7:15-10:15 Digital Mon-Thu 10-12:50-3:45-7:15-10:15
Avatar (PG) Fri 3:15-6:50-10:30 Sat-Thu 11:25-3:15-6:50-10:30
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 12:15-3:35-7:10-10:25 Mon-Thu 12:15-3:35-7:10-10:25
Cop Out (14A) Fri 1:25-4:20-7:55-10:55 Sat-Thu 10:40-1:25-4:20-7:55-10:55
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Wed 12:45-4:05-7:25-11 Thu 4:05-11
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri-Wed 12:40-3:20-7:10-10:25 Thu 12:40-7:10
Dear John (PG) Fri 3:50-10:05 Sat-Thu 10:05-3:50-10:05
Green Zone (14A) Special Engagement Fri 12:35-1:05-3:30-4-7:05-7:35-10:10-10:40 Special Engagement Sat-Thu 10:10-12:35-1:05-3:30-4-7:05-7:35-10:10-10:40
Our Family Wedding (PG) Special Engagement Fri 1:55-4:40-8:05-10:35 Special Engagement Sat-Thu 11:20-1:55-4:40-8:05-10:35
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:55-6:55
Remember Me (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1:10-4:10-7:40-10:35 Special Engagement Sat-Thu 10:20-1:10-4:10-7:40-10:35
She's Out Of My League (14A) Special Engagement Fri 1-1:30-3:55-4:25-7:30-8-10:20-10:50 Special Engagement Sat-Thu 10:15-10:45-1-1:30-3:55-4:25-7:30-8-10:20-10:50
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Sat 12:20-3:40-7:20-10:40 Sun 3:40-7:20-10:40 Mon-Thu 12:20-3:40-7:20-10:40
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:25-7:25-10:55

ORION GATE GRANDE
20 Biscayne Cr., 905-455-1590

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 4:10-6:55-9:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4:10-6:55-9:45
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 4:40-7:45-10:30 No Passes Sat-Mon 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Tue 11:30-2:15-4:55-7:45-10:30 No Passes Wed-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar (PG) Fri-Thu 9:20
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 3:45-7-10:20 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:45-7-10:20
Cop Out (14A) Fri 4-6:35-9:10 Sat-Thu 1:05-4-6:35-9:10
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 7:35-10:10
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 3:55-7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:20-3:55-7:10-10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 5 Sat-Thu 11:45-2:30-5:20
Remember Me (14A) Fri 3:35-6:40-9:30 Sat-Tue 12:40-3:35-6:40-9:30 Wed 3:40-6:40-9:30 Thu 12:40-3:35-6:40-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:15-9:55 No Passes Sat-Tue 1:35-4:25-7:20-9:55 No Passes Wed 4:25-7:20-9:55 No Passes Thu 1:35-4:25-7:20-9:55 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:20-6:25-9:40 Sat-Thu 12:10-3:20-6:25-9:40
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri 4:50 Sat-Mon 11:55-2:40-5:10 Tue 11:55-2:40-5:05 Wed-Thu 11:55-2:40-5:10

SILVERCITY BRAMPTON
50 Great Lakes, 905-789-6797

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 4-6:55-9:50 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:10-4-6:55-9:50
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri 6:50-10:40 Sat-Thu 2-6:50-10:40
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 3:55-7:25-10:50 Sat-Thu 12:40-3:55-7:25-10:50
Cop Out (14A) Fri 3:30-6:40-9:40 Sat-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:40-9:40
The Crazies (18A) Fri 4:35-7:50-10:55 Sat-Thu 1:40-4:35-7:50-10:55
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri-Thu 10:35
Dear John (PG) Fri 3:40-6:30-9:20 Sat-Thu 12:50-3:40-6:30-9:20
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 4:10-7:15-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1-4:10-7:15-10:20
Jawani Zindabad (STC) Fri 6:10-9:55 Sat-Thu 1:30-6:10-9:55
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri 6:15-10 Sat-Thu 1:50-6:15-10
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri 3:15-6:35-9:35 Sat-Thu 12-3:15-6:35-9:35
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 3:10-6:20 Sat-Thu 11:50-3:10-6:20
Remember Me (14A) Fri 3:25-7:10-10 Sat-Thu 12:10-3:25-7:10-10
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:10-10:15 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:10-10:15
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:50-7:30-11 Sat-Thu 12:30-3:50-7:30-11
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri 4:50-7:35 Sat-Thu 11:40-2:10-4:50-7:35
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 9:25

SILVERCITY MISSISSAUGA
3055 Vega Blvd., 905-569-3373

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri-Thu 2-4:20
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Sun 2:30-6:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 12:30-4:10-8
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-3:40-7-10
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri-Thu 1:45-4:30-7:10-9:50
Edge of Darkness (14A) Fri-Thu 6:50-9:40
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7:20-10:10
It's Complicated (14A) Fri-Thu 3:50-6:40-9:30
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:50-4:50-7:40-10:20
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12-2:30-5:10-7:50-10:15
Up in the Air (14A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:30-6:30-9:20
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:40-7:30-10:20

SQUARE ONE
100 City Centre Dr., 905-275-2640

Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 12:15-2:45-5:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:15-2:45-5:15
Astro Boy (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 1:3:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 1:3:45
Atithi Tum Kab Jaoge (STC) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 6:45-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 12:15-3:30-6:45-9:40 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 6:45-9:40
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 1:30-4:20-7:20-10:15
Cop Out (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 1-4:10-7:10-9:50
Crazy Heart (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 7:30-10:10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:45-4:30-7:30-10:10 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 7:30-10:10
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 1:15-4 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 1:15-4
Karthik Calling Karthik (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 6-9 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 3-6-9 Dolby Stereo

Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 6-9
Miss You Like Crazy (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-7:10
My Name Is Khan (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 8:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:15-4:45-8:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 8:15
Planet 51 (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 12:45-3:15 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:45-3:15
Remember Me (14A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:40-3:45-6:40-9:30
Tooth Fairy (G) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:30
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 12:30-3:30 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 12:30-3:30
The Wolfman (18A) Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Fri 7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Sat-Sun 1:20-4:40-7:15-9:45 Dolby Stereo Digital, Stadium Seating Mon-Thu 7:15-9:45

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5 DRIVE-IN
2331 Ninth Line, 905-257-8272

Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Sun 9:45 Tue 9:45 Thu 9:45
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Sun 7:50 Tue 7:50 Thu 7:50
Green Zone (14A) Fri-Sun 9:25 Tue 9:25 Thu 9:25
She's Out Of My League (14A) Fri-Sun 10:10 Tue 10:10 Thu 10:10
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Sun 7:40 Tue 7:40 Thu 7:40
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Sun 7:30 Tue 7:30 Thu 7:30

AURORA CINEMAS
15460 Bayview Ave., 905-841-1789

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 4:10-7-9:45 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4:10-7-9:45
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 2:15-5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar (PG) Fri-Thu 2:30-6:15-9:50
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 4:20-7:15-10:10 Sat-Thu 12:30-4:20-7:15-10:10
Cop Out (14A) Fri 3:40-6:50-9:30 Sat-Wed 1:10-3:40-6:50-9:30 Thu 3:40-6:50-9:30 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:30-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:20
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 3 Sat-Thu 11:45-3
Remember Me (14A) Fri 4-7:10-10 Sat-Wed 1-4-7:10-10 Thu 4-7:10-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 3:50-7:20-10:15 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:45-3:50-7:20-10:15
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:30-6:40-9:55 Sat-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:40-9:55
Tooth Fairy (G) Sat-Thu 12
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:20

COLOSSUS 19
3555 Hwy 7 West, 905-851-1001

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 10:45-1:30-4:15-7-9:50
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Alice in Wonderland: An IMAX 3D Experience (PG) No Passes Fri-Sat 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10-11:45 No Passes Sun-Thu 10:30-1:10-3:50-6:30-9:10
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 11:40-3:15-6:50-10:25
The Blind Side (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:30-6:45-10:10
The Book of Eli (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7-10:05
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-4-7:20-10:40
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 10:40-1:40-4:40-7:40-10:20
From Paris With Love (14A) Fri-Thu 9:15
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:25-9:40
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 10:50-1:50-4:50-7:50-10:45
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:15-10:15
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 1-4:30-7:30-10:25 Sat 4:30-7:30-10:25 Sun-Thu 1-4:30-7:30-10:25
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:25-7:40-10:50
The Spy Next Door (PG) Fri-Thu 12-3-6:10
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:10-6:20-8:50
Up in the Air (14A) Fri 11-1:45-4:20-7:10-10 Sat 11-1:45-7:10-10 Sun-Thu 11-1:45-4:20-7:10-10
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:20-6:30-9:45
When in Rome (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-3:45-6:45-9:30
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Thu 2-5-8-11

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10909 Yonge St., 905-770-6998

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 7:10-9:50 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:10-4:10-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:20-10
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Mon-Thu 11:50-2:40-5:20
Astro Boy (PG) Mon-Thu 11
Avatar (PG) Fri 7:50 Sat-Sun 12:30-3:50-7:50 Mon-Thu 12-3:50-7:50
Cop Out (14A) Fri 6:50-9:15 Sat-Sun 12:50-3:40-6:50-9:15 Mon-Thu 6:30-9:10
The Crazies (18A) Fri 7:40-10:20 Sat-Sun 1:40-4:40-7:40-10:20 Mon-Thu 7:40-10:15
Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) Mon-Thu 11:30
Green Zone (14A) Fri 7:20-10:10 Sat-Sun 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:10 Mon-Thu 1:30-4:10-6:50-9:50
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 6:40-9:20 Sat-Sun 12:20-3:10-6:40-9:20 Mon-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:15-9
Planet 51 (PG) Mon-Thu 11:15
Remember Me (14A) Fri 7:10 Sat-Sun 1-4-7:10 Mon-Thu 1-4-6:40-9:40
She's Out Of My League (14A) Fri 7:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:40-7:10-10:10
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 6:30-9:40 Sat-Sun 12:10-3:20-6:30-9:40 Mon-Thu 12:10-3:10-6:20-9:30
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri 6:20 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:30-6:20 Mon-Thu 1:50-4:20-7
The Twilight Saga: New Moon (PG) Mon-Thu 12:20-3:15
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Sun 9 Mon-Thu 9:20

FIRST MARKHAM PLACE
3275 Hwy 7 E., 905-474-5101

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 5-7:45-10:35 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:35
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 4:15-7:20-10:25 Sat-Sun 1:15-4:15-7:20-10:25 Mon-Thu 1-4:15-7:20-10:25
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri 5:15-8:10:45 Sat-Thu 11:45-2:30-5:15-8:10:45
The Crazies (18A) Fri 9:20 Sat 9:30 Sun 9:20 Mon-Thu 9:30
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:30-4:30-7:10-10 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:10-10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 3:50-6:30 Sat 12-3:15-6:35 Sun 12-3:15-6:30 Mon-Thu 12-3:30-6:35
Remember Me (14A) Fri 4-6:50-9:40 Sat-Sun 1-4-6:50-9:40 Mon-Thu 12:40-4-6:50-9:40
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 4:45-7:30-10:15 No Passes Sat-Sun 1:45-4:45-7:30-10:15 No Passes Mon-Thu 1:40-4:45-7:30-10:15
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:40-7:10-10 Sat-Sun 12:40-3:45-7:10-10 Mon-Thu 12:20-3:45-7:10-10
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 3:30-6:40-9:30 Sat 7:15-10:05 Sun 12:20-3:30-6:40-9:30
Vinnaithandi Varuvaay (PG) Fri 6:20-9:50 Sat-Thu 2-6:20-9:50

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30 Interchange Way, 905-760-1911

2012 (14A) Fri 3-6:15-9:25 Sat-Sun 11:30-3-6:15-9:25 Mon-Thu 3-6:15-9:25
3 Idiots (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-5:30-9:10
Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Squeakquel (G) Fri 2:10-4:30-7-9:15 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:10-4:30-7-9:15 Mon-Wed 2:10-4:30-7-9:15 Thu 2:10-4:30-7
Couples Retreat (PG) Fri 1:40-4:10-6:40-9:25 Sat-Sun 10:55-1:40-4:10-6:40-9:25 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:10-6:40-9:25
The Crazies (18A) Fri 1:25-2:30-4:5-6:30-7:30-9:10 Sat-Sun 11-12-1:25-2:30-4-5-6:30-7:30-9-10 Mon-Thu 1:25-2:30-4-5-6:30-7:30-9-10
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45 Sat-Sun 11:45-2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:15-9:45
Dear John (PG) Fri 12:45-1:30-3:30-4-6:15-6:45-9-9:30 Sat-Sun 11-12:45-1:30-3:30-4-6:15-6:45-9-9:30 Mon-Thu 12:45-1:30-3:30-4-6:15-6:45-9-9:30
Edge of Darkness (14A) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:25-10 Sat-Sun 11:35-2:05-4:40-7:25-10 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:25-10
An Education (PG) Fri 2-4:50-7:10-9:50 Sat-Sun 11:20-2-4:50-7:10-9:50 Mon-Thu 2-4:50-7:10-9:50
Frozen (STC) Fri 1-3:10-5:20-7:40-9:55 Sat-Sun 10:55-1-3:10-5:20-7:40-9:55 Mon-Thu 1-3:10-5:20-7:40-9:55
Green Zone (14A) Fri 12:30-1:30-3:30-4:15-6:30-7:15-9:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 10:45-12:30-1:30-3:30-4:15-6:30-7:15-9:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 12:30-1:30-3:30-4:15-6:30-7:15-9:30-10:15
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 11:55-3:15-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30
The Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG) Fri 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40 Sat-Sun 11:05-1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:40-4:20-7:05-9:40
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 12:35-3:35-6:35-9:35
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:20-10 Sat-Sun 11:20-2:05-4:40-7:20-10 Mon-Thu 2:05-4:40-7:20-10
Karthik Calling Karthik (PG) Fri-Mon 12:30-3:45-6:45-9:45
Leap Year (PG) Fri 2:15-4:45-7:10-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:50-2:15-4:45-7:10-10:15 Mon-Thu 2:15-4:45-7:10-10:15
Legion (14A) Fri 1:35-3:50-6:35-8:55 Sat-Sun 11:10-1:35-3:50-6:35-8:55 Mon-Wed 1:35-3:50-6:35-8:55 Thu 1:35-3:50-6:35
The Lovely Bones (PG) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-10:05
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri 2:30-6-9:20 Sat-Sun 11:10-2:30-6-9:20 Mon-Thu 2:30-6-9:20
Nine (PG) Fri-Thu 1:35-4:20-7:05-9:55
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri 2-5-7:30-10:15 Sat-Sun 11:45-2-5-7:30-10:15 Mon-Thu 2-5-7:30-10:15
Planet 51 (PG) Fri 2:40-5:10-7:20-9:35 Sat-Sun 12:20-2:40-5:10-7:20-9:35 Mon-Thu 2:40-5:10-7:20-9:35
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri 1:25-3:55-6:25-9:05 Sat-Sun 10:50-1:25-3:55-6:25-9:05 Mon-Wed 1:25-3:55-6:25-9:05 Thu 1:25-3:55-6:25
The Princess and the Frog (G) Fri 1:45-4:15-6:40-9:10 Sat-Sun 11:15-1:45-4:15-6:40-9:10 Mon-Wed 1:45-4:15-6:40-9:10 Thu 1:45-4:15-6:40
The Young Victoria (PG) Fri 2:50-5:10-7:40-10:05 Sat-Sun 12:10-2:50-5:10-7:40-10:05 Mon-Thu 2:50-5:10-7:40-10:05
Youth in Revolt (14A) Fri 1:05-3:10-5:25-7:45-10:05 Sat-Sun 10:55-1:05-3:10-5:25-7:45-10:05 Mon-Thu 1:05-3:10-5:25-7:45-10:05

PROMENADE MALL
1 Promenade Circle, 416-494-9371

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Fri-Thu 1:15-4:10-7-9:15
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 7:15-9:35
Green Zone (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4-7:05-9:30
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 1:25-4:20
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 1:20-4:05-6:50-9:25
She's Out Of My League (14A) Fri-Thu 1:30-4:25-7:10-9:20
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 3:40-6:30-9:10
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 1:10

SILVERCITY NEWMARKET
18151 Yonge St., 905-953-2792

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:10-7-9:45
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:35 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:10-9:55
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 11:40-3:10-7:20-10:25
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 12:15-4:7:30-10:05 Sat 12:15-7:30-10:05 Sun-Thu 12:15-4:7:30-10:05
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50 Sat-Sun 10:45-12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50 Mon-Thu 12:45-3:45-6:45-9:50
Green Zone (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30 Mon-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30
Invictus (PG) Fri-Thu 12:10-3:20-6:40-9:40
Karthik Calling Karthik (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40-6:40-9:40
Leap Year (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:20-6:20-9:20
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Thu 12:50-3:50-6:50-9:50 Wed 3:50-6:50-9:50 Thu 3:50-6:50-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 2:10-5:10-8:10:45
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 11:50-3:6:40-10:15
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:40
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 6:30-9:30

SILVERCITY RICHMOND HILL
8771 Yonge St., 905-709-3199

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:3:50-6:50-9:50
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 11:35-3-6:40-10:25
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 12:20-3:40-7:25-10:45
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:35-9:20
The Crazies (18A) Fri 12:50-3:45-7:05-9:55 Sat 12:50-7:05-9:55 Sun-Thu 12:50-3:45-7:05-9:55
Crazy Heart (14A) Fri 12:10-3:20-6:10-9:10 Sat 3:20-6:10-9:10 Sun-Thu 12:10-3:20-6:10-9:10
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 1:10-4:15-7:20-10:35 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:10-4:20-7:20-10:35
Our Family Wedding (PG) Fri-Wed 1:30-4:10-7:10-10 Thu 4:10-7:10-10 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 11:50-2:45-6-9
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Wed 12:40-4-7-10:10 Thu 4-7:10-10 Thu 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:40-10:20
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-2:55-6:25-9:40
Tooth Fairy (G) Fri-Thu 12-3:10
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri-Thu 6:20-9:30

HALTON

GALAXY CINEMAS MILTON
1175 Maple Ave., 905-864-1666

Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 6:45-7:40-9:30-10:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 11:40-12:45-2:20-3:40-5:45-7:40-9:30-10:20
Avatar (PG) Fri-Thu 8
Cop Out (14A) Fri 7-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:50-4-7-9:45
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 6:35-9:20 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:35-9:20
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Sat-Thu 12:20-3:45
Remember Me (14A) Fri 6:50-9:50 Sat-Wed 12:40-3:50-6:50-9:50 Thu 3:50-6:50-9:50 Thu 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 7:10-10 No Passes Sat-Wed 1-4:10-7:10-10 No Passes Thu 4:10-7:10-10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 6:30-9:40 Sat-Thu 12-3:20-6:30-9:40

SILVERCITY BURLINGTON 8
1250 Brant St., 416-646-0444

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Tue 1-4-7:10 No Passes Wed 4-7:10 No Passes Thu 1-4-7:10 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Wed 1
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30
Avatar (PG) Fri-Thu 12:30-4:15-8
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri-Thu 11:45-3-6:30-9:45
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 1-4:10-7:15-10:05
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 7:10-10:25
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:50-4:20-7:15-10:15
It's Complicated (14A) Fri 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10 Sat 4:10-7:10-10:10 Sun-Thu 1:10-4:10-7:10-10:10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:45-3:50
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Tue 12:15-3:45-6:50-9:50 Wed 3:45-6:50-9:50 Thu 12:15-3:45-6:50-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Wed 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 12:40-3:30-7:30-10:20
Shutter Island (14A) Fri-Thu 12-3:15-6:50-10:10
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:40 Sat 12:30-6:40-9:40 Sun-Thu 12:30-3:40-6:40-9:40

SILVERCITY OAKVILLE
3531 Wyecroft Road, 905 827-7173

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10-10:05
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri-Thu 11:30-2:15-5-7:45-10:30 No Passes Fri-Thu 1-4-7:10
Avatar 3D (PG) Fri-Thu 2-6:30-10
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 12:15-3:25-7:10:20 Sat 12:15-7:10:20 Sun-Thu 12:15-3:25-7:10:20
Carmen (Bizet) Metropolitan Opera - Encore Performance (STC) Sat 1 Sat 1
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 7:15-10:15
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri-Thu 12:40-3:40
Remember Me (14A) Fri-Tue 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:50 Wed 1-4:10-6:50-9:50 Thu 1:10-4:10-6:50-9:50
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri-Tue 12:50-3:50-6:40-9:40 No Passes Wed 1-3:50-6:40-9:40 No Passes Thu 12:50-3:50-6:40-9:40
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 12-3:30-6:45-9:55 Sat 3:30-6:45-9:55 Sun-Thu 12-3:30-6:45-9:55 Fri-Thu 12:30-3:30-6:30-9:30
Valentine's Day (PG) Fri 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30 Sat 7:30-10:30 Sun-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:30-10:30

WINSTON CHURCHILL
2081 Winston Park Dr., Oakville, 905-829-2009

Alice in Wonderland (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Sun 12:45-3:30-6-8:30-11:15 Mon-Thu 12:45-3:30-6-8:30-11:15
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) Special Engagement Fri 12-1:30-2:30-4:15-5:15-7-8:45-10:45 Special Engagement Sat-Sun 10:45-12-1:30-2:30-4:15-5:15-7-8:45-10:45 Mon-Thu 11-12-1:30-2:30-4:15-5:15-7-8:45-10:45
The Blind Side (PG) Fri 1:25-4:15-7:10-10:05 Sat-Sun 10:35-1:25-4:15-7:10-10:05 Mon-Thu 1:25-4:15-7:10-10:05
The Book of Eli (14A) Fri-Tue 1:40-4:20-7:15-10:10 Wed-Thu 7:15-10:10
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Tue 12-12:50-2:25-3:20-5:5-5:50-7:35-8:25-10:15-11 Wed-Thu 12-2:25-5:7:35-10:15
The Crazies (18A) Fri 2:15-4:50-7:30-9:55 Sat-Thu 11:45-2:15-4:50-7:30-9:55
Dear John (PG) Fri 1:35-4:10-6:55-9:40 Sat-Sun 10:50-1:35-4:10-6:55-9:40 Mon-Thu 1:35-4:10-6:55-9:40
An Education (PG) Fri 2:05-4:40-7:05-9:40 Sat-Thu 11:40-2:05-4:40-7:05-9:40
The Hurt Locker (14A) Fri-Thu 12:55-4:05-7:05-10:05
It's Complicated (14A) Wed-Thu 1:40-4:20
Leap Year (PG) Fri-Thu 12:05-2:25-4:50-7:20-9:50
My Name Is Khan (PG) Fri 2:50-6:25-9:55 Sat-Thu 11:15-2:50-6:25-9:55
Our Family Wedding (PG) Special Engagement Fri-Thu 12:10-2:30-5-7:30-9:45
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 1:55-4:45-7:40-10:30 Sat-Thu 11:05-1:55-4:45-7:40-10:30
Precious: Based on the Novel ``Push'' by Sapphire (14A) Fri 2-4:45-7:25-10:10 Sat-Thu 11:20-2-4:45-7:25-10:10
Remember Me (14A) Special Engagement Fri 12:15-1:45-2:45-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:11 Special Engagement Sat-Thu 11-12:15-1:45-2:45-4:30-5:30-7:15-8:15-10:11
Sherlock Holmes (PG) Fri 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:25 Sat-Sun 10:30-1:20-4:20-7:20-10:25 Mon-Thu 1:20-4:20-7:20-10:25
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 12:50-1:30-4:4:45-7-7:45-10:10:45 Sat-Sun 10:30-12:50-1:30-4-4:45-7-7:45-10:10:45 Mon-Thu 12:50-1:30-4-4:45-7-7:45-10:10:45
When in Rome (PG) Fri-Thu 12:20-2:40-4:55-7:10-9:30
The Wolfman (18A) Fri-Thu 12:15-2:55-5:30-8:05-10:40

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AJAX
248 Kingston Rd. E, 905-426-7772

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 3:40-7:30-10:15 No Passes Sat-Wed 12:30-3:40-7:30-10:15 No Passes Thu 3:40-7:30-10:15 Star & Strollers Screening, No Passes Thu 1
Alice in Wonderland 3D (PG) No Passes Fri 4:10-7-9:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:10-4:10-7-9:40
Avatar (PG) Fri 6-9:30 Sat-Thu 2:40-6-9:30
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 3:55-6:55-9:55 Sat-Thu 12:55-3:55-6:55-9:55
Cop Out (14A) Fri 4:15-6:50-9:35 Sat-Thu 1:15-4:15-6:50-9:35
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 7:05-10:05
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 4:20-7:10-10:10 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:30-4:20-7:10-10:10
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 3:30 Sat-Thu 12:40-3:30
Remember Me (14A) Fri 3:50-6:45-9:50 Sat-Wed 12:50-3:50-6:45-9:50 Thu 3:50-6:45-9:50 Star & Strollers Screening Thu 1
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 4:30-7:15-10 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:20-4:30-7:15-10
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 3:35-6:40-9:45 Sat-Thu 12:20-3:35-6:40-9:45
Tooth Fairy (G) Sat-Thu 12:15

PICKERING 8
1355 Kingston Rd., 416-646-0444

Alice in Wonderland (PG) No Passes Fri 7-9:50 No Passes Sat-Thu 12:30-3:45-7-9:50
Brooklyn's Finest (14A) Fri 6:50-10:10 Sat-Thu 12:15-3:30-6:50-10:10
Cop Out (14A) Fri-Thu 7:30-10:35
The Crazies (18A) Fri-Thu 9:40
Green Zone (14A) No Passes Fri 7:10-10:15 No Passes Sat-Thu 1-4-7:10-10:15
Percy Jackson & the Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) Fri 6:30 Sat-Thu 12:10-3:15-6:30
Remember Me (14A) Fri 7:20-10:25 Sat-Thu 12:50-4:15-7:20-10:30
She's Out Of My League (14A) No Passes Fri 7:40-10:40 No Passes Sat-Thu 1:30-4:30-7:40-10:40
Shutter Island (14A) Fri 6:40-10 Sat-Thu 12-3:20-6:40-10
Tooth Fairy (G) Sat-Thu 12:20-3:40

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1. Need You Now, Lady Antebellum, left; 2. Soldier of Love, Sade; 3. Hillbilly Bone, Black Shelton; 4. My Best Days, Danny Gokey; 5. Alice In Wonderland soundtrack. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Music

Girlicious member faces drug charge

Natalie Mejia

PEOPLE

Police say a member of the pop group Girlicious was arrested after Glendale officers found more than a dozen plastic bags of cocaine in her Gucci purse during a traffic stop.

Police Sgt. Tom Lorenz says 21-year-old Natalie Mejia was being held Wednesday in jail in the Los Angeles suburb on suspicion of cocaine for sale or distribution, the Los Angeles Times reported.

Lorenz says Mejia was a passenger in a car driven by 28-year-old Peter Asencio Tuesday night when Asencio was pulled over for speeding.

Police say Mejia had just dined at a restaurant in Burbank and was heading to the airport and late for a flight.

Lorenz says Asencio was arrested on the same drug charge. Police determined that Asencio also was driving with a suspended license.

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Collett shares the stage

Broken Social Scene member passes musical torch to Zeus, Bahamas

BRYAN BORZYKOWSKI
for Metro Canada

If we can glean anything from Jason Collett's life, it's that he likes family. The Toronto-based singer-songwriter has a couple of teenage kids, has spent many months on the road as part of Canada's biggest musical clan, Broken Social Scene, and now he's watching his backing band, Zeus, grow up.

"There is a bit of a maternal sense," says Collett on the phone from his Toronto home. "It's a fine line between that and becoming patronizing though."

While Zeus is receiving a huge amount of buzz for their debut disc, Collett's not quite ready to say goodbye to his musical progeny. They're all going on the road together — along with another ex-backing band member Alfie Jurvanen, a.k.a. Bahamas — but rather than letting the proud papa play last, they're all sharing a stage.

"It's going to be a complicated tour," he says, explaining that all three acts will, for the most part, back each other up while they play their respective songs.

"A lot of fans know our history and have been excited to see the growth of Zeus and Afie's solo work," he says. "You get more out of an evening when you see musicians sharing."

But Zeus and Bahamas aren't the only one's growing, Collett's latest, Rat a Tat Tat, is his best disc yet. While it's not much different from his past efforts — it's still a combination of Dylan folk sounds and Joel Plaskett-like rock tunes — the songs are more infectious and focused than what we've heard from him before.

"I feel like I'm hitting my stride," he reveals. "My writing's better, but I'm always learning and there's still room to grow."

While he is improving musically, it's the lyrics that really stand out. Specifically, Lake Superior and Winnipeg Winds, two tracks that, Collett hopes, adds something to an already rich history of Canadian songwriters singing about this country.

On the latter track, Collett captures a Winnipeg winter perfectly, even though he's never actually experienced one. The haunting atmospheric acoustics would make the perfect soundtrack to a dark Winnipeg night, while the lyrics "Never could get used to those Winnipeg Winds… Sleepwalking with skeleton keys jangling," should sound familiar to any Pegger trying to unlock a door as the early morning breeze freezes their hands at the knuckles.

"A lot of fans know our history and have been excited to see the growth of Zeus and Afie's solo work. You get more out of an evening when you see musicians sharing." Jason Collett

Collett says his decision to talk about Canadian locales on this disc was mostly for fun. There are so many American songs that reference places — like Memphis or Route 66 — so he wanted to see what he could come up with using Canadian spots.

"American mythology looms so large in all our minds," he says. "Canada has so many fabulous names, like Thunder Bay or Saskathewan and I've taken them for granted. They have a certain quality to them that can be conjured. So I set about to see if I can do a little conjuring and the stories revealed themselves. It was just a little exercise I've had fun with."

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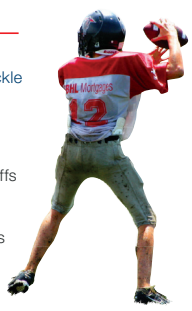

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Labour of Love

Hole frontwoman dishes on colourful past

SoundCheck

Courtney Love wants to talk. And she does — for almost two hours.

The occasion is the release of Skinny Little B—, the solid first single from Nobody's Daughter, the first Hole album since 1998's Celebrity Skin.

"The disaster record (her 2004 solo album, America's Sweetheart) didn't count any more than Mick Jaggger should count She's the Boss (his 1985 solo bomb)."

Over the course of our conversation, which included countless stream-of-consciousness detours, unexpected tangents, name-drops and revelations, I learned the following:

• After a stint as a stripper in Japan in the early '80s, Courtney had designs on being a record producer. She dropped into Windmill Lane studios in Dublin to drop off a resume ended up working with U2 on October for five days "before I was fired." She didn't mention why.

• She almost had Mariah Carey sing back-up on Nobody's Daughter, which would have required her to sing some interesting profanities. Sadly, it wasn't meant to be.

• Courtney didn't write a song for almost four years because she had become far too comfortable in her Beverly Hills home, but then she was hit with her own financial crisis. "Frances (her daughter) getting me out of L.A. was really good because I wasn't leaving the house. We had some very scary times. They froze my bank account. I had 120 bucks. I've been poor before — but maybe it's good with checking in to be poor because then you get hungry again." She sought out Duff McKagan (Guns 'N Roses, Velvet Revolver) for financial advice because he has an MBA and writes a financial column.

• Both she and husband Kurt Cobain disagreed on the choice of Smells Like Teen Spirit as the first single from Nevermind. They both wanted In Bloom while the record company initially wanted Lithium.

• Courtney is pressing ahead with the bio-pic on Kurt called Heavier Than Heaven. She knows who has been cast in the lead roles but she won't say anymore than that.

• She also has an idea for a Lollapalooza-like festival and is currently trying to enlist support from her circle of celebrity friends.

There's more — some of which you can hear for yourself at exploremusic.com — but it's going to take me a while to sort through the rest of the interview. Nobody's Daughter will finally be released April 27.

Nobody's Daughter, the first album from Hole in 12 years, will be released on April 27.

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A new Hendrix experience

Jimi **Hendrix**

Album: Valleys of Neptune
Label: Sony Music
Rating: ⊕⊕⊕

GRAHAM ROCKINGHAM
for Metro Canada

DON'T GET FOOLED by the hype. Valleys of Neptune is not the Hendrix holy grail. Not even close. While it is several notches above previous posthumous releases (First Rays of the Rising Sun excluded), Valleys of Neptune remains a compendium of outtakes and warm-up tracks. There is little here that approaches the genius so evident in the albums released during Hendrix's all-too short life. The majority of these 12 studio tracks were recorded in the spring of 1969. It was a turbulent time for the Jimi Hendrix Experience. Bassist Noel Redding left part way through, replaced by Billy Cox.

Eddie Kramer, original soundman the Hendrix originals, has lovingly remastercd the recordings, but still the magic isn't there.

There are three reworkings of songs dating from 1967's Are You Experienced — Stone Free, Fire and Red House. It's hard to imagine Hendrix, ever wanting them released. There is also Hendrix's instrumental take on the Cream hit Sunshine of Your Love. Fans would like to point to this as proof Hendrix was better than Eric Clapton. There's no knockout punch here, though.

The fiery solos on the blues tracks Hear My Train A Comin' and Ships Passing Through the Night are the only real standouts.

Better news for Hendrix fans is Sony's release this week of remastered versions of the guitar wizard's core catalogue — Are You Experienced, Axis: Bold as Love, Electric Ladyland, Band of Gypsys and the posthumous First Rays of the Rising Sun. With new liner notes and accompanying DVDs detailing the process each record was made, these repackaged works are must haves for Hendrix fans.

If you still have a hunger for Hendrix, then — and only then — go out and buy Valleys of Neptune.

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10 shows to see at CMW

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

Bands overlap, lines never end and impulsive club jumping gets you stuck on the streetcar in traffic. That's why Metro wants to make your Canadian Music Week easier, by presenting the ten acts you don't want to miss this weekend. Ladies and gentlemen, our dance card:

Metro's Canadian Music Week picks for Friday and Saturday include Plants And Animals, above, Friday (12 a.m.) at Lee's Palace, Joel Plaskett, below left, Saturday (7:30 p.m.) at Mod Club and Hannah Georgas, below right, Friday (10 p.m.) at The Drake Underground.

Friday

Gemma Ray

Silver Dollar Room, 10 p.m.: Take the orchestral ambience of Grizzly Bear, vocal breeze of Charlotte Gainsbourg and pop flare of Lily Allen and you've got Essex, England's Gemma Ray. Her dark, cinematic songs smack of refined vocal strength against a mature pop background that's miles beyond the U.K.-produced pop tarts of late.

Hannah Georgas

Drake Underground, 10 p.m.: Vancouver's latest folk-pop feme has been riding high off her 2008 EP The Beat Stuff, a sunny collection of tunes on love, nature and longing. Now, just in advance of her anticipated full-length debut in April, Hannah Georgas stops by with guitar in hand to show off her catchy melodies and quirky but sweet voice.

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Aidan Knight

Global Village Backpackers, 11 p.m.: Balancing a rich assembly of strings and harmonies with his deep, honest vocals and eloquent songwriting, Victoria's Aidan Knight creates humble, full-bodied folk-rooted pop. Although new to the scene as a solo artist, he's racked up performance experience backing his West Coast friends and serves to be a lasting name. Catch Knight in this wildly small venue while you can!

The Mountains and the Trees

Central, 12 a.m.: While its lineup seems in constant flux, that's no reason to discount the intimate sound of St. John's, N.L.'s band The Mountains and the Trees. Jon Janes is at the centre of this folk rock forest, writing and singing the songs, and adding guitar, drums, ukulele, banjo, mandolin, harmonica and more ... small in numbers, but grand in effect.

Plants and Animals

Lee's Palace, 12 a.m.: Nominated for the Polaris Music Prize and Juno awards, Plants and Animals has broken folk waves both in music scenes north and south of the border with its blend of roots and elements of classic rock. The cross-country trio boasts two members from Halifax and one from Montréal, and will release its long awaited sophomore album in April.

TMDP

Wrongbar, 2 a.m.: Toronto's Jeffrey Addison and Gavin Rough are the nonsense pseudonym TMDP. The electronic duo reflects a fresh chapter in the city's synth-heavy scene, fashioning retro disco additions to its fluid dance beats. The band's on-stage laptop prowess electrifies electro, off the cuff.

Saturday

Joel Plaskett

Mod Club, 7:30 p.m.: Between releasing and relentlessly touring a career-making triple album in 2009 and reforming his hit '90s alt-rock outfit Thrush Hermit for a reunion tour this month, Canada's renaissance rocker Joel Plaskett takes time to showcase his songwriting. Steeped in nostalgia with a bit of style, Plaskett builds personal narratives that flow seamlessly from folk, to pop rock to alt-country.

Yukon Blonde

Horseshoe Tavern, 8:30 p.m.: Yukon Blonde layers harmonies like it's 1968. This optimistic folk rock band from Vancouver makes music using an aged CSNY-like sensibility, contemporizing it in the vein of Fleet Foxes. Crafting polished song after song, Yukon Blonde is the stuff of full-bodied earworms, welcome to nest.

Grand Analog

Drake Underground, 11 p.m.: It would be a shame to pigeonhole Toronto-via-Winnipeg collective Grand Analog simply as hip-hop. The genre-bending band fronted by Odario Williams throws jazz curves, rock riffs and reggae skanks into its eclectic mix, producing tunes anchored by the groove.

Electric Six

Lee's Palace, 12 a.m.: Responsible for such classics as Gay Bar, Danger, High Voltage! and Naked Pictures (Of Your Mother), Detroit darlings Electric Six define tongue-in-cheek. The six-piece rock band smashes dynamic funk, disco and a touch of punk into their oft-comic songs, and boasts a live performance accentuated by frontman Dick Valentine's animated stage antics.

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Canuck stars help cover K'naan single for Haiti relief
Canada's musical stars have aligned to help Haiti. Avril Lavigne, Drake and Nelly Furtado are among the 57 artists performing together on a remixed version of K'naan's anthem Wavin' Flag that will be available for download tonight. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Postdata is personal

Wintersleep frontman teams with brother for solo album

Postdata plays the Music Gallery on Friday at 9 p.m. and the Rivoli on Saturday at 8 p.m. as part of Canadian Music Week.

ANDREW FIFIELD
Metro Canada

It's been a couple of years since Wintersleep's Weighty Ghost crashed onto radio with a thud, sending the band on tours to far flung places and opening gigs for heavy hitters like Paul McCartney.

Weighty Ghost was pretty, um, heavy itself and frontman Paul Murphy's new project Postdata — recorded with his brother in 2008 — goes further down that rabbit hole, frequently tossing out references to Alzheimer's, girls being carried away by paramedics and whispering to ghosts.

"The album was written the year our grandparents died, and we didn't record it with the thought of releasing it," Murphy said of the deeply personal album. "We just played it into a laptop. But after hearing it, we kind of got into the mood."

Don't mistake Postdata 's self-titled debut for a bleak set of songs, however. Rather, it's the kind of quiet, bedroom affair that briefly flirted with becoming huge back when Red House Painters were soundtracking Gap commercials. Far from having to rely on the sometimes harrowing topics at hand, Postdata's bare bones subtlety leaves enough space for its sound to create an impact all its own. In another life, album highlight Paranoid Clusters could have the heart and tempo of a Celtic stomper that betrays Murphy's Nova Scotia roots. It may also offer hints to future collaborations between the Murphys.

"That was one of the first songs that was written for this album, it's one of my favourites," Murphy says.

"But it's hard to say what would happen if we made another record together. You don't want to box yourself into anything."

Having just road tested the material to rave reviews on a European tour, Postdata have a handful of Canadian dates slotted for the spring before Murphy returns to his day job with Wintersleep, which is currently working on a new album set for a May release.

"The crowds were great, but it was a little different. It definitely wasn't a Wintersleep crowd."

And this definitely isn't a Wintersleep album. But for fans of Murphy's better-known work, Postdata is a chance to catch him in a moment of intimacy that might never be repeated.

Canadian Music Week

Judge favours Pink Floyd in royalty battle with EMI

COURTS In a victory for the concept album, Britain's High Court yesterday ordered record company EMI Group Ltd. to stop selling downloads of Pink Floyd tracks individually rather than as part of the band's original records.

The prog-rock group sued the music label, saying its contract prohibited selling the tracks "unbundled" from their original album setting.

Pink Floyd lawyer Robert Howe said the band was known for producing "seamless" pieces of music on albums like Dark Side of the Moon, The Division Bell and The Wall, and wanted to retain artistic control.

EMI claimed the clause in the band's contract — negotiated a decade ago, before the advent of iTunes and other online retailers — applied only to physical albums, not Internet sales.

"(EMI is) not entitled to exploit recordings by online distribution or by any other means other than the complete original album without Pink Floyd's consent."
Judge Andrew Morritt

Judge Andrew Morritt backed the band, saying the contract protected "the artistic integrity of the albums."

He ruled that EMI is "not entitled to exploit recordings by online distribution or by any other means other than the complete original album without Pink Floyd's consent."

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Entertainment in brief

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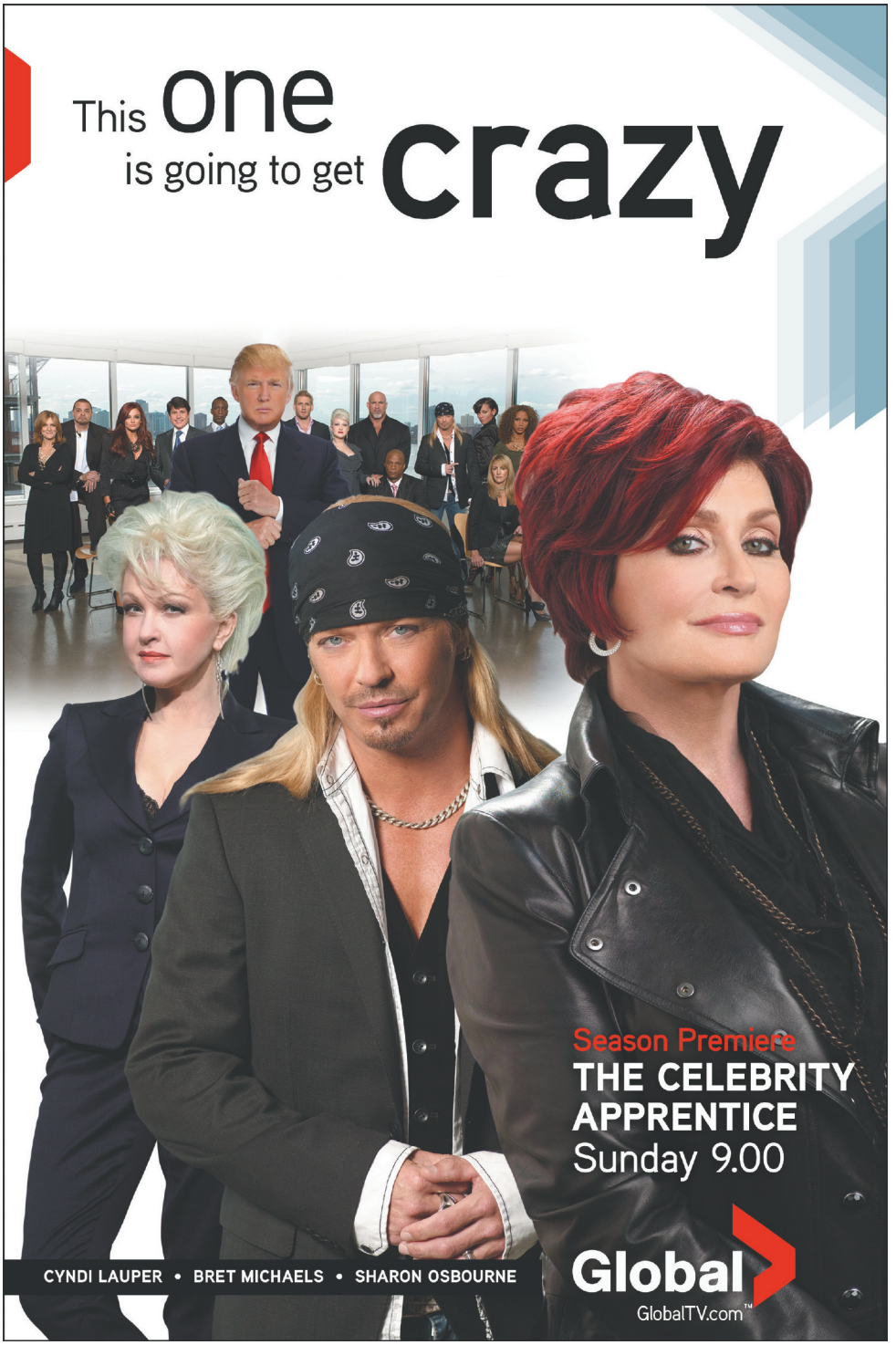

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by Enza Anderson

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Wideawake chief engineer John Nazario and director of marketing Julia Ji.

The Artist Project vice president Patti Stewart.

ARTISTS AND PURVEYORS alike showcased their best works as they gathered for the third annual Artist Project Toronto at the Queen Elizabeth Building. The four-day art fair opened with a three-hour cocktail reception highlighting 175 juried contemporary artists. Meanwhile, music artists christened their new space WIDEawake Liberty Studios — in the heart of Liberty Village — with an early evening toast and tapas.

WIDEAWAKE, RIGHT: Music lover Christi Franceschini.

Wideawake project manager Sonya Pead and vice chair & COO Robert Thompson-So.

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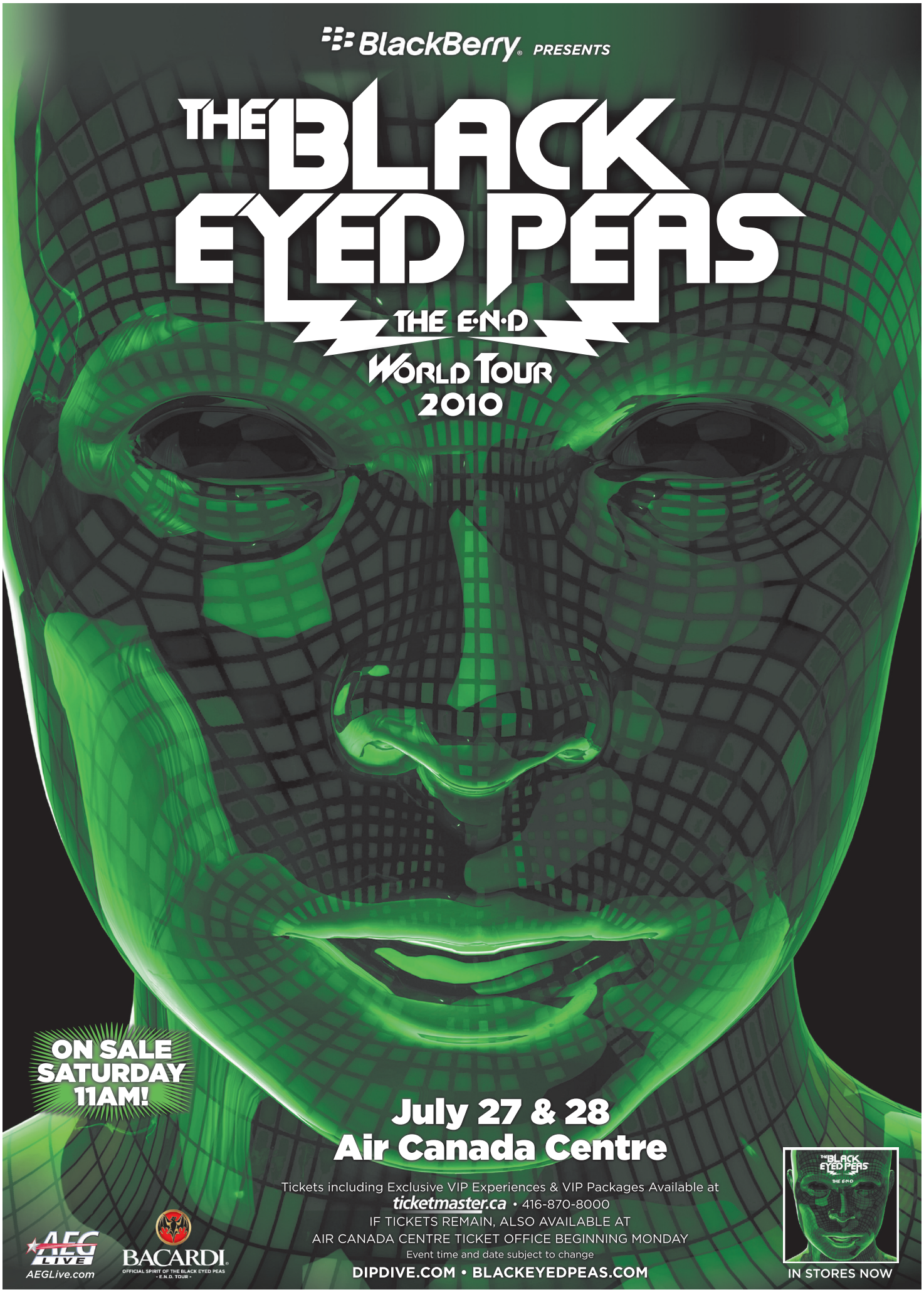
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Television

Someone is missing from Top Model

British series questions whether there is a place for disabled women in modelling

IAN JOHNSTON
for Metro Canada

Is the fashion world ready for a disabled model?

Probably not, says Sophie Morgan, one of eight disabled women vying for a modeling career on the reality series Britain's Missing Top Model.

"I loved that the show raised that question and tried to answer it," says Morgan, who was paralyzed below her chest in a car accident six years ago.

"And I think the disabled have every right to share that catwalk.

"But whether the fashion world is ready and you can make a living at it, I have to honestly say not yet."

Britain's Missing Top Model explores that question in great detail as it puts its contestants — who have disabilities as varied as deafness, missing limbs and brain injuries — through their supermodel paces as they vie for a modeling contract and a magazine shoot.

BMTM best resembles your typical model search show but one that challenges society's preconceptions on beauty.

> **"I think the disabled have every right to share that catwalk."**
>
> Sophie Morgan, a contestant on Britain's Missing Top Model

"I was worried the show would be handled badly," says the Sussex-born Morgan, the only contestant in a wheel chair.

"But in the end, I decided it would be a challenge and a weird thing to do.

"So I did it. And I enjoyed it. And it definitely taught me things and gave me more confidence."

Confidence — apparently — that made her realize she didn't want to be a model.

"It sort of pushed me away from modeling. I didn't like how the models were treated and how they didn't have a voice. It was all about clothes," she says.

A lot of Morgan's time these days is spent as the spokeswoman for IMPERFECT, an organization that functions as both a support group and an activist group that draws attention to cases of disability discrimination.

"It's aimed at inspiring self-confidence and empowering disabled people to stand up for themselves."

A sneak peak ...

- You can catch a sneak peak of Britain's Missing Top Model on One this Saturday and Sunday night.
- It then moves to its regular time slot on Monday nights.

PHOTOS PROVIDED

Sophie Morgan is one of eight contestants on the show.

Producers honour American veterans

PREMIER Tom Hanks, Steven Spielberg and Elizabeth Dole joined 250 veterans at the Second World War memorial in Washington to honour their service.

Tom Hanks

HBO brought the veterans to the memorial Thursday to coincide with the network's premiere of a 10-part series called The Pacific. Hanks and Spielberg are part of the production team, following their Band of Brothers miniseries in 2001. The series begins Sunday.

It focuses on the lives of U.S. Marines fighting the Japanese after the attack on Pearl Harbor.

The veterans included a 100-year-old man and came from Baltimore, Boston, Chicago, Cleveland, New York, Philadelphia and Orlando, Fla.

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Television

Conan to tour North America

Without a TV show to do every night, Conan O'Brien is taking his act on the road. And he's stopping in Canada.

The former Tonight Show host announced a 30-city theatre tour on Thursday. Sidekick Andy Richter and the former Tonight Show band will join O'Brien for what he calls "a night of music, comedy, hugging and the occasional awkward silence."

The tour, called The Legally Prohibited from Being Funny on Television Tour. begins April 12 in Eugene, Ore., and he's in Vancouver the next two nights. He's in Enoch, Alta., on April 17 and Toronto on May 22.

Conan O'Brien

O'Brien quipped: "It was either a massive 30-city tour or start helping out around the house."

O'Brien quit The Tonight Show in January instead of taking NBC's offer to move his start time back by a half-hour. Jay Leno is back in his old slot. O'Brien hasn't announced any future television plans.

The cheapest ticket in Toronto and Vancouver is $58.13 after fees and go as high as $103.13. A special "hot seat" ticket $262.63.

Prices are more expensive at the Enoch show, at the River Cree Resort & Casino, with regular tickets ranging from $97.50 to $137.50 after fees. A special meet and greet with O'Brien goes for $695 per person.

For a complete list of tour dates and ticket information visit teamcoco.com.

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FRIDAY

TO	Vu	SD	C		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3/12/10 primetime	265	353	2	TVO	The Art of Spain		Agenda With Steve Paikin		Heartbeat "Pass the Parcel"		A. Gregg	Film 101	Agenda
	211	331	3	GTV	Entertainment	ET Canada	X-Weighted "Amy"		Shark Tank		NUMB3RS (N)		News Hour
	215	343	4	OMN1	Two Men	The Office	Omni News: Italian Edition		Vivere V	Omni News:	Law & Order: Intent		Look I Cook
	210	302	6	CBC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Rick Mercer	Marketplace	CBC News: the fifth estate		CBC News: The National (N)		The Hour (N)
	214	344	7	CITY	Murdoch Mysteries (HDTV)		Who Do You		Supernanny (N)		Supernanny (N)		News
	212	313	8	CTV	etalk	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Medium (HDTV) (N)		The Bridge (N) (DVS)		CTV News
	218	345	11	CHCH	*Teen Wolf* ★★ (1985, Comedy) Michael J. Fox.				*Hoosiers* ★★★ (1986, Drama) Gene Hackman.				News at 11
	-	387	16	CBS	Inside Edition	Access H.	Ghost Whisperer (N)		Medium (HDTV) (N)		NUMB3RS (N)		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17	NBC	Entertainment	The Insider	Who Do You		Dateline NBC				News
	-	386	18	ABC	Wheel	Jeopardy! (N)	Supernanny (N)		Supernanny (N)		20/20 "Haywire" (N)		News
	219	346	20	ACH-B	Degrassi	TMZ (N)	America's Next Top Model			Look-A-Like	Comedy Now	Comedy Inc.	A News
	-	-	28	FOX	Judge Judy	Two Men	House "Epic Fail"		Kitchen Nightmares		Seinfeld	Two Men	Simpsons
	-	388	61	PBS	NewsHour	More Funny Ladies		T.A.M.I. Show: Rock 'n Roll's First Concert Film				Washington	Business Rpt.
news	500	500	33	CNN	Situation Room-Wolf Blitzer		Campbell Brown (N)		Larry King Live (N)		Anderson Cooper 360 (HDTV)		
sports	405	417	22	net	OHL Hockey Windsor Spitfires at London Knights. (Live)						Sportsnet Connected		Hockey
	400	400	30	TSN	(6:30) Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Page Playoff. From Halifax.					SportsCentre		Hockey	SportsCentre
family	551	542	25	YTV	*Sydney White* ★★ (2007, Comedy) Amanda Bynes, Matt Long.					That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol	Prank Patrol
	554	544	45	TEL	Star Wars	Star Wars	Star Wars	Star Wars	Futurama	King of Hill	*Wonder Woman* (2009, Action)		
	556	540	51	FAM	Han. Montana	*Motocrossed* (2001, Adventure)			(9:01) *Gotta Kick It Up* ★★ (2002)			*The Haunted Mansion*	
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal Minds		Criminal
	575	583	38	CMT	Funniest Home Videos		Reba	Reba	Acc'ding/Jim	Jim	Home Imp.	Home Imp.	CMT Greatest
	616	521	39	SHO	Relic Hunter		*Nightmare at the End of the Hall* (2008, Drama)				Pure Pwnage	Kenny vs.	Trailer Park
	294	529	47	TBS	Family Guy	College Basketball: SEC Tournament				College Basketball: SEC Tournament			
	581	566	52	MTV	Peak Season	Peak Season	Cribs	Cribs	The Real World		16 and Pregnant		1 girl 5 gays
	603	561	56	FOOD	Ricardo	Eat, Shrink	Wild Chef	Chef Abroad	Bobby Flay	Bobby Flay	Diners, Drive	Diners	Ramsay
	300	601	301	M1	(7:15) *Puck Hogs* (2009, Comedy) Jeff Geddis.				*Fighting* ★★ (2009, Drama) Channing Tatum.				*Next Day Air*

SATURDAY

TO	Vu	SD	C		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3/13/10 primetime	265	353	2	TVO	National Geographic		*Infamous* ★★★ (2006, Drama) Toby Jones. (DVS)				Interviews	*Starting Out in the Evening*	
	211	331	3	GTV	Jane Show	renegade	*You Belong to Me* (2008, Suspense) Shannon Elizabeth.				Love-Death	G-Spot	News Hour
	215	343	4	OMN1	Na Luzie		Svitohliad	Yak Bulo	Russian Waves		Georgi Danski-Heart		Childhood
	210	302	6	CBC	NHL Hockey Regional Coverage. (HDTV) (Live)						NHL Hockey: Senators at Canucks		
	214	344	7	CITY	cooking	Amazing	Glenn Martin	Out There	*The Conclave* (2006, Historical Drama) (DVS)				Crusoe
	212	313	8	CTV	W5 (N) (DVS)		CSI: Crime Scene		Law & Order (HDTV)		Law and Order		CTV News
	218	345	11	CHCH	*Space Jam* ★★ (1996, Comedy) Michael Jordan.				*Forget Paris* ★★★ (1995, Romance-Comedy)				News at 11
	-	387	16	CBS	College Basketball		CSI: Crime Scene		Criminal Minds		48 Hours Mystery (N)		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17	NBC	Paid Program	The Insider	Parenthood (HDTV)		Law & Order (HDTV)		Law & Order: SVU		News
	-	386	18	ABC	Paid Program	Paid Program	Desperate Housewives		Desperate Housewives		Jimmy Kimmel Live		News
	219	346	20	ACH-B	The Road to Avonlea		*Descent* (2005, Science Fiction) Luke Perry.				Stargate Atlantis		A News
	-	-	28	FOX	Paid Program	Paid Program	Cops	Cops	America's Most Wanted		Kitchen	Simpsons	Wanda Sykes
	-	388	61	PBS	SCTV Golden Classics		Royal Journey			*A Queen Is Crowned* ★★ (1953, Documentary)			
news	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		CNN Presents "Her Name Was Steven" (N)				Newsroom		CNN Pres.
sports	405	417	22	net	Skiing		Skiing FIS Ski Cross.		English Premier League Soccer				Sportsnet
	400	400	30	TSN	(6:30) Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Semifinal. (HDTV) From Halifax. (Live)						SportsCentre	NBA Basketball	
family	551	542	25	YTV	Zeke's Pad	Prank Patrol	Funniest Home Videos		That's-Weird	Prank Patrol	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	554	544	45	TEL	*Star Wars: Episode II -- Attack of the Clones* ★★ (2002, Science Fiction)						Chicken	Futurama	King of Hill
	556	540	51	FAM	Suite/Deck	Zoey 101	Suite Life	Han. Montana	*Free Willy* ★★★ (1993, Drama), Lori Petty				*Secrt Grdn*
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami (HDTV)		CSI: Miami
	575	583	38	CMT	Cross Canada Countdown		Unstable	Unstable	Top 20 Steamiest Videos		Jann Arden, Live		Reba
	616	521	39	SHO	Slings and Arrows		*A Decent Proposal* (2007, Drama) Jessica Tuck.				*27 Dresses* (2008, Romance-Comedy)		
	294	529	47	TBS	House-Payne	House-Payne	*Gladiator* ★★★ (2000, Historical Drama) Russell Crowe, Joaquin Phoenix.						*Snake Eyes*
	581	566	52	MTV	Peak Season	Peak Season	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	Cribs	MTV Live	Movie Night	Sex News
	603	561	56	FOOD	Glutton	Chef Abroad	Gourmets	Gourmets	Chopped		Top Chef Masters		Hell's Kitchen
	300	601	301	M1	(5:20) *21*		(7:25) *Slap Shot 3: The Junior League*		*The Proposal* ★★ (2009, Romance-Comedy)				*Dead Snow*

SUNDAY

TO	Vu	SD	C		7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00
3/14/10 primetime	265	353	2	TVO	Monarchy		Child Genius 2		*Gracie!* (2009, Docudrama) Jane Horrocks.			The View From Here	
	211	331	3	GTV	King of Hill	Simpsons	Simpsons	Family Guy	The Celebrity Apprentice (N)				News Hour
	215	343	4	OMN1	Minute to Win It (N)		Minute to Win It (N)		Ramabai Espinet-Home		Metropia	Metropia	Corpo E Alma
	210	302	6	CBC	Heartland (N) (DVS)		*Abroad* (2010, Romance-Comedy) Liane Balaban.				CBC News: The National		Spies
	214	344	7	CITY	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Murdoch Mysteries		Survivorman		Crusoe
	212	313	8	CTV	Human Target (N)		The Amazing Race 16		Desperate Housewives (N)		Cold Case "One Fall"		CTV News
	218	345	11	CHCH	*Wild Wild West* ★ (1999, Action) Will Smith, Kevin Kline.				*The Terminator* ★★★ (1984, Science Fiction)				News at 11
	-	387	16	CBS	60 Minutes (HDTV) (N)		The Amazing Race 16		Undercover Boss (N)		Cold Case "One Fall"		News 4 at 11
	-	385	17	NBC	Minute to Win It (N)		Minute to Win It (N)		The Celebrity Apprentice (N)				News
	-	386	18	ABC	Funniest Home Videos		Extreme Makeover: Home		Desperate Housewives (N)		Brothers & Sisters (N)		News
	219	346	20	ACH-B	TMZ (N)		Gossip Girl		Undercover Boss (N)		Nip/Tuck (DVS)		A News
	-	-	28	FOX	'Til Death (N)	'Til Death (N)	Simpsons	Simpsons	Family Guy	Tucson	Seinfeld	Seinfeld	Cold Case
	-	388	61	PBS	Jimmy Sturr and His Orchestra Polka favorites.				Great American Songbook				Entertainment
news	500	500	33	CNN	Newsroom		CNN Presents "Her Name Was Steven"				Newsroom		CNN Pres.
sports	405	417	22	net	QMJHL Hockey Saint John Sea Dogs at Moncton Wildcats. (Live)						Skiing FIS Ski Cross.		Sportsnet
	400	400	30	TSN	Curling 2010 Tim Hortons Brier, Final. (HDTV) From Halifax. (Live)							SportsCentre	
family	551	542	25	YTV	(6) *Stardust* ★★★ (2007, Fantasy) Claire Danes.				Fries That?	Fries That?	Survive This	Ghost	Adrenaline
	554	544	45	TEL	Stoked	Total Drama	Majority	6TEEN	Futurama	King of Hill	Chicken	Futurama	Tripping-Rift
	556	540	51	FAM	Suite/Deck	Zoey 101	Suite Life	Han. Montana	*Magic in the Water* ★★ (1995, Fantasy)			*A Dog of Flanders*	
cable variety	615	520	31	A&E	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars	Parking Wars
	575	583	38	CMT	Smarter Than a 5th Grader?		Funniest Home Videos		Hope & Faith	Hope & Faith	Meet-Wilsons	Wilsons	Star Crossed
	616	521	39	SHO	Cra$h & Burn (HDTV)		*Secret Lives* (2005, Suspense) Daphne Zuniga.				Damages (HDTV) (N)		Cra$h & Burn
	294	529	47	TBS	*Deliver Us From Eva* ★★ (2003, Romance-Comedy)				*Deliver Us From Eva* ★★ (2003, Romance-Comedy)				*My Best*
	581	566	52	MTV	Cribs	Cribs	MTV Live	Movie Night	Peak Season	Peak Season	Cribs	Cribs	1 girl 5 gays
	603	561	56	FOOD	Challenge		Jamie's Chef		Iron Chef America		Dinner: Impossible		Restaurant
	300	601	301	M1	*The Sisterhood of the Traveling Pants 2* (2008)				*Twilight* ★★ (2008, Romance) Kristen Stewart.				*Ghosts*

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Going Out

Metro's 7th Heaven: Metro taps what's hot right now

1 The Pacific

TV Tom Hank's newest look at the Second World War focuses on the Pacific theatre, following the real life experiences of three U.S. Marines. The 10-part series cost $200 million US to make, and premieres on HBO Canada on Sunday.

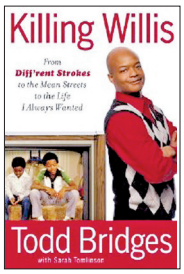
2 '80s Nostalgia

POP CULTURE How could you not be feeling a little nostalgic this week with the John Hughes' memorial at the Academy Awards last Sunday — including the much-tweeted appearance of Judd Nelson — followed by the tragic death of Corey Haim on Wednesday. Head to the video store this weekend and rent a copy of The Lost Boys, Sixteen Candles or Say Anything — or, dig out those old Betamax and VHS tapes from the basement.

4 Starbucks Via

FOOD Starbucks unveiled its line of ready brew coffees last year, and now it's going decaf. This week, the coffee chain premiered its Starbucks VIA Ready Brew Decaffeinated Italian Roast, giving you an in-store coffee taste, but with less jitters.

5 Killing Willis

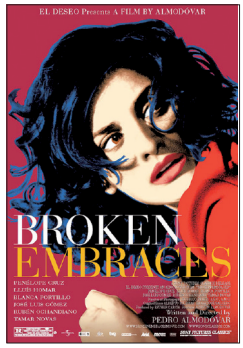


BOOKS With all their problems over the years, it would appear that child stars on Diff'rent Strokes are cursed. Now, Todd Bridges is weighing in on the theory with Killing Willis: From Diff'rent Strokes to the Mean Streets to the Life I Always Wanted, chronicling his fall from teen idol to tabloid joke. It is in stores on Tuesday.

6 The Hurt Locker

THEATRE You may have missed The Hurt Locker when it played in theatres the first time, but now that it won the Academy Award for Best Picture — and garnered Kathryn Bigelow the first ever Oscar for a female director — the film is heading back to the big screen.

3 Broken Embraces



DVD Spanish director Pedro Almodovar and his muse actress Penelope Cruz reunited last year for the drama Broken Embraces (Los abrazos rotos) — garnering critical acclaim and a number of award nominations. Now, the DVD is set to hit store shelves on Tuesday.

7 Quarantine The Past: Greatest Hits by Pavement

ALBUM Now that '90s indie stalwarts Pavement are touring again — they will be heading northwards this summer for a concert in Toronto — there is no excuse to be oblivious of their influence. This new compilation is a good place to fall in love with Stephen Malkmus and co. and their best slacker-friendly tunes — Gold Soundz, Cut Your Hair, Shady Lane, it's all here.

Mix of Six

Daksha Sheth Dance Company

When: Friday & Saturday
Where: Fleck Dance Theatre

Renowned Indian Kathak dancer Daksha Sheth and her group are bringing two nights of an audio-visual experience that blends acrobatics, yoga, gymnastics and dance to Toronto. harbourfrontcentre.com.

The Monster Under The Bed

When: Until April 1
Where: Lorraine Kimsa Theatre for Young People

It's the North American premiere of Kevin Dyer's new play, and a chance to expose the children to some culture during their week off. Recommended for kids aged 6 and up. lktyp.ca.

Joanna Newsom

When: Saturday, 7 p.m.
Where: The Phoenix

The harpist, strikingly young sounding singer and writer of innocent, lyrical folk songs has just released her new three-disc album Have One On Me to plenty of acclaim. $22.50

Elizabeth Shepherd

When: Saturday, 8 p.m.
Where: Glenn Gould Studio

With a degree in jazz piano, three albums and two Juno nominations, Elizabeth Shepherd is being praised around the world. Her music combines her husky vocals with intricate harmonies that avoid the traditional while pushing creative boundaries. This show celebrates the release of her fourth album, Heavy Falls The Night. $29.50.

Aries @ Bass Culture

When: Saturday
Where: El Mocambo

Dubstep, reggae and jungle also make it into the extended CMF festival schedule thanks to this two-room Highgrade event. Repping in the main room for all of those sounds is UK DJ/producer Aries. $15 before midnight.

Monkey Toast

When: Saturday, 8 p.m.
Where: Comedy Bar, 945 Bloor W.

The improvised talk show, a must-see of the local scene for the past seven years, is relocating to the UK and will stage its final Toronto episodes this month and next.

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In brief

PEOPLE Venezuelan President Hugo Chavez is grateful that actor Sean Penn has defended him against his critics within the U.S. media. In an appearance on HBO's Real Time with Bill Maher last week, Penn slammed Chavez critics who refer to the socialist leader as a dictator.

REAL ESTATE It's a Hollywood cliffhanger, in more ways than one. The Trust for Public Land said Thursday it's about US$3 million away from the $12.5 million it needs to buy and preserve hilltop property beside the world-famous Hollywood sign. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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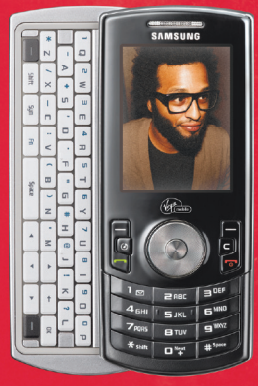

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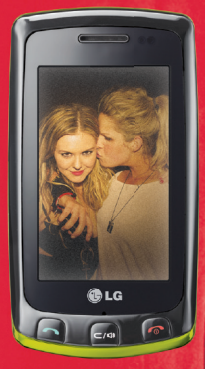

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Extending her range
Madonna's is creating a fashion range, named MG Icon, in joint venture with her manager Guy Oseary. FEMALEFIRST.CO.UK

Labine 'nothing special'

Actor credits parents for his down-to-earth approach

When Tyler Labine was starting to get some success as a young actor in Canada his parents gave him some blunt advice: "There's nothing special about what you do."

"Thankfully my parents were very savvy," says Labine, whose latest series, Sons of Tucson, airing Thursday nights on Global and can also be seen Sunday on Fox.

Labine grew up in Brampton, Ont., moved with his family to Vancouver during his teenage years and started acting when he was nine. While his parents encouraged his acting ambitions, they made the distinction between what he did and who he was.

"You're a special person, but there's nothing special about what you do," he remembers them telling him. Basically, the message was, "don't ever get a big head about what you do."

"(It hurts) when you pour your heart into something and they toss it ... even though a show fails, it doesn't necessarily mean I've failed."
Tyler Labine

Now 31, Labine has had a few years in L.A. to get some perspective on that advice. He's been close to having that breakout U.S. hit a few times over the years but still no cigar. Reaper, the CW series in which he played slacker pal Sock Wysocki, was a cult favourite but barely limped into a second season. The ABC sci-fi series Invasion also failed to land with audiences.

Those setbacks take a toll, "especially when you pour your heart into something and they toss it on the floor," he said at the Sons of Tucson press launch earlier this year in Los Angeles. What he has come to accept is that, "even though a show fails, it doesn't necessarily mean I've failed."

Fortunately, Labine's on-screen easy-going, dude-next-door charm continues to connect with casting directors and network programmers. When the creators of Sons of Tucson were looking for an actor to play Ron Snuffkin, a misfit, surrogate dad to three mischievous siblings, they saw Labine as a perfect fit. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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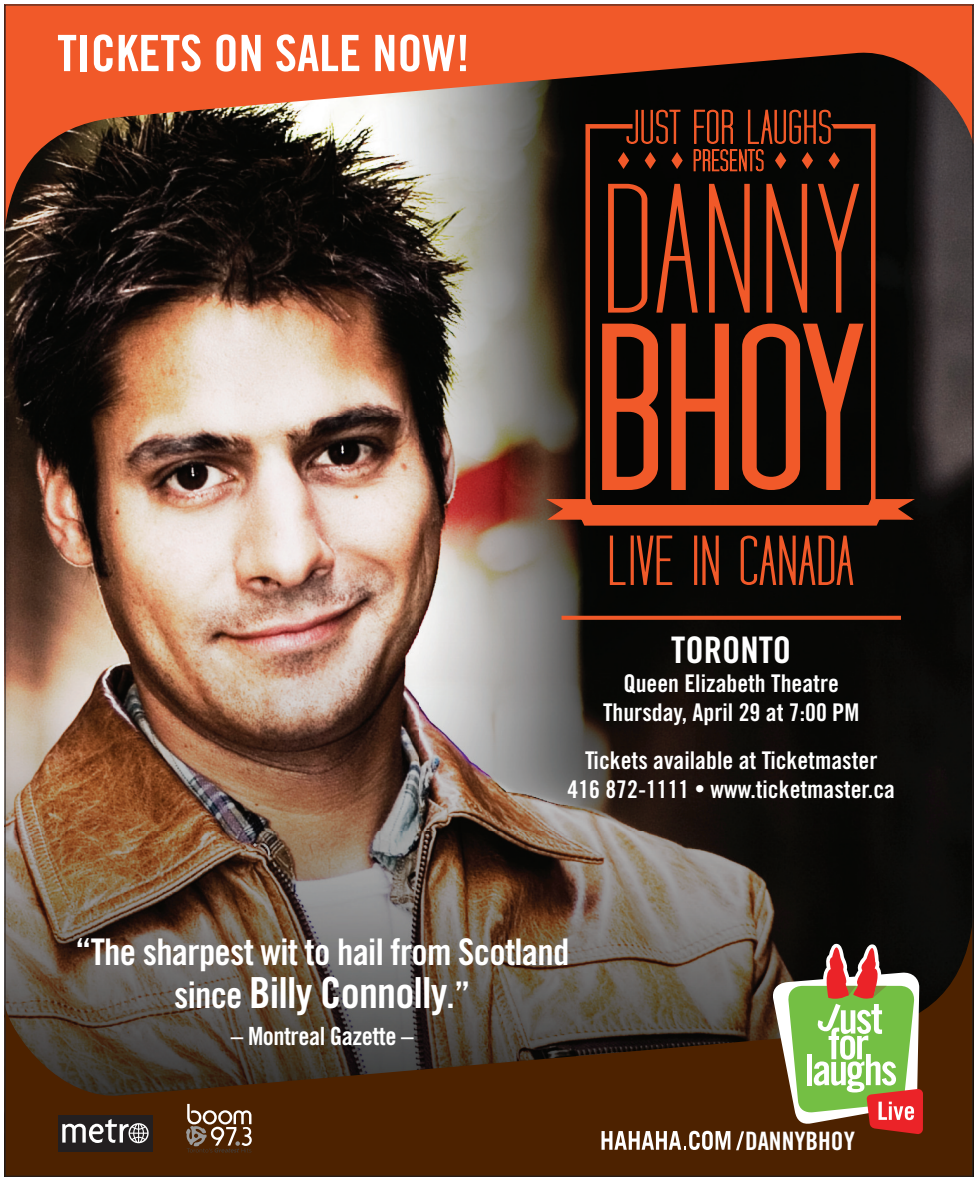
Sons of Tucson cast members Benjamin Stockham, left, and Tyler Labine slap hands during a panel discussion on the television series at the FOX Television Critics Association winter press tour.



Underwood planning to take flight on her upcoming tour

MUSIC After selling more than a million tickets to her last concert tour, Carrie Underwood is aiming higher this time.

Really high. Literally.

"As far as things getting bigger, it's just that — the stage is bigger, there are more lights, there's more tricks up our sleeve," Underwood said. "We have a lot of moving parts on the stage. I kind of get to fly over the audience."

Underwood's Play On Tour opened Thursday with more than 50 dates in the United States and Canada planned through June. She's set a record with 11 straight No. 1 country singles.

2008

- Underwood made 137 stops on her 2008 tour to support Carnival Ride.'

"We're kind of going for broke on this one just because I feel like it's time," Underwood said in an interview this week. "At this point, the only thing it's about is putting on a great show and we're going out with that in mind. I definitely think we have delivered." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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A time to take the stage
A stage adaptation of John Grisham's first novel, A Time to Kill, will have its world premiere next year in Washington in what is being billed as a "pre-Broadway" production.

A new live kids show on the block

BRIAN COULTON
for Metro Canada

Scott Schultz just wants to be a kid again.

He's not necessarily tempted by the total dependence, jobless work day or sleep ad infinitum. For Schultz, it's all about the entertainment, uninhibitedly singing and dancing like no one's watching, even if they are.

That's why he, along with Christian Jacobs, decided to create kids television program Yo Gabba Gabba! (Treehouse TV) that could provide education and energy for kids, and fun for parents too.

"Instead of plopping the kids in front of the television, maybe mom and dad would want to sit down and dance with them," says Schultz.

The adult appeal is in YGG!'s retro, colour-soaked aesthetic and indie rock, hip hop and dance music compositions that boast the importance of brushing teeth, sharing and appreciating art.

Of course music in general is nothing new to children's programming, territory dominated by Beatlesesque Australian supergroup The Wiggles.

But Schultz said he isn't trying to compete with the group that inspired him. Instead, he wants to offer a different flavour.

"You can call it the Neapolitan ice cream of flavours," says Schultz.

"There's so much music my and Christian's kids really respond to, where the lyrics just aren't appropriate.

"Being musicians and having a real love of music, we thought there's a lot we could bring to the table of preschool kids programming that's not being brought."

Now, after two seasons and receiving two Emmy nominations, Schultz and Jacobs are taking their vision to the road with Yo Gabba Gabba! Live!: There's a Party in My City!, a music, dance and animation stage show Schultz likens to a concert experience.

"The TV show is more of a fun, engaging narrative you watch and want to see what happens next.

"The live show (lets you) jump up and down and scream, dance to your favourite song, dress up like your favourite character and let loose a little bit," he says, adding he thinks the versions can run independent of each other.

The live version will see orange-clad series regular DJ Lance Rock at its helm, with frequent show guest Biz Markie teaching beat boxing skills and an appearance by Jacobs-fronted California rock band The Aquabats.

In past, YGG! the program has featured acts like Of Montreal, The Ting Tings, MGMT, The Shins and Sean Kingston, and Schultz says audiences can expect a secret band appearance at the live show. But he's not going to spoil the surprise.

"We'll have to just leave you with the mystery of who will show up."

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The colourful characters of Yo Gabba Gabba take to the stage.

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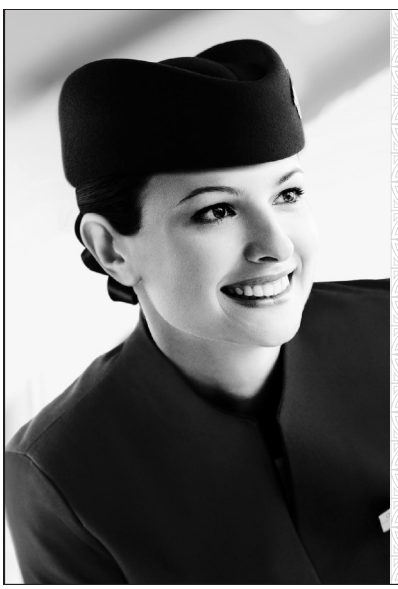
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Jungers wins Stern hosted Tiger Woods Mistress Beauty Pageant

Three women who have claimed to be Tiger Woods' mistress competed in the Tiger Woods Mistress Beauty Pageant on Thursday morning's Howard Stern Show. Congratulations to Jamie Jungers, 27, who won $75,000 and some golf balls. EW.COM

COURTESY PUBLIC ADDRESS

Oscar winner Kevin Costner has taken on new career, playing country music as the front man for Kevin Costner and Modern West.

Costner shows off his musical talents

Actor set to release a country music album

ELISABETH BRAW
Metro World News

After Dances with Wolves, country music? Oscar winner Kevin Costner has played a colonel during the American Civil War and Robin Hood. But his new career may require even more courage: The Academy Award winner now also plays country music, as the front man of Kevin Costner and Modern West.

Q You're a successful movie star. Why did you launch a career in country music?

A I didn't know it would evolve to this point. I started playing a bit, and my wife encouraged me, and more and more people started coming to my gigs. I love singing my own sings, but I never thought I'd be touring and making albums.

Q Do country musicians get less respect than Hollywood actors?

A I don't look to anyone else for confirmation; I just go out and give people a good show. People in Europe, Germans in particular, are very appreciative. The Germans are actually why I started doing music more seriously. I'll direct a Second World War movie this fall and went to Germany last year to meet with some actors. My band and I scheduled some gigs and lots of people turned up, and now we're back, playing in larger venues. That's what I like about the Germans: they don't care what anyone else thinks; if they like you, they invite you back.

Q With record sales declining, isn't music a dying business?

A Anyone can make an album, but a good musician can play live. As a matter of fact, I was the only member of my band who didn't want to make an a record because I knew that I'd be scrutinized in a way that most musicians are not. But in the end I gave in. We're releasing our second album this month.

Q In the 2008 film you starred in Swing Vote, about an unemployed man whose vote determines the entire presidential election. In real life, you supported Barack Obama, telling college students to get involved with politics because your generation failed to save the world. How do you want Generation Y to change it?

A People have to force politicians to drop their egos and make decisions for future generations. We have too many people in politics who are just concerned about one future: their own. Politicians should only be allowed to stay in office for one term.

Q Dances with Wolves, movies about Robin Hood and JFK. Which hero do you dream of making a film about?

A Abraham Lincoln and George Washington. Heroism works so well in films because it's something that everyone can relate to. And the hero can be a single mother working three jobs, too.

Q Your sixth child was born last year. What have you learned from being a father?

A That I'll never die.

Five questions

- Best advice you've ever been given: Stop talking and start doing.
- Best gift you've ever received: Love.
- One thing you'd bring to a desert island: My wife.
- Person you most admire: Abraham Lincoln.
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Jamaica jamming to an athletic beat

No longer just a fun-in-the-sun destination, this Caribbean country offers energetic options

SERENA JONES
Metro World News

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Jamaica's image of a country where people just soak up the sun is starting to change with its more energetic options.

Haunted colonial mansions, triathlons and motivational theme parks — not things you think of when you think of Jamaica?

Think again, mon. Jamaica is fast becoming the health and activity capital of the Caribbean.

Feel like you need to recharge rather than merely relax? With direct flights already underway locals that welcome you with open arms, you'll be getting your groove back in no time.

WHY GO NOW?

The tourist season in Jamaica doesn't really get under way until mid-December, and deals at resorts and activity centres abound (as do quiet, empty beaches if you've worn yourself out).

Recent infrastructure improvements have made the country more accessible than ever, and the weather hovers near 85 degrees with clear skies year-round — so your itinerary should rarely suffer from a rainout.

IT'S MY FIRST TIME... WHAT SHOULD I DO?

The Jamaica Tourist Board is one of the friendliest you'll ever encounter (visitJamaica.com).

And what you'll likely discover about Montego Bay is that its combination of beachside resorts, stunning old colonial homes, championship golf courses, bobsledding (a fun, nature-tour twist on the Jamaican Olympic legacy), and kayaking make it a particularly great area if you're looking to both challenge yourself and unwind.

28 Jamaica's Canadian tourism was up 28 per cent over last year. Jamaica expects another record number of Canadian tourists to visit Jamaica this year.

I'VE BEEN BEFORE... WHAT'S NEW?

If you're craving a new adventure in a mind-blowing setting, Derek Evans runs one of the best-kept secrets in Jamaica — his motivational, family-run theme park, H'Evans Scent Experience.

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Jamaican architecture has stuck to its roots.

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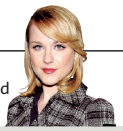
Quick facts

- Best place to grab a drink: Float up to the bar on the Lazy River at Rose Hall Resort and get a pina colada to go while letting the soothing, man-made current whisk you along in your inner tube.
- A local dish to check out: No restaurant in Jamaica is without spicy jerk chicken and the melt-in-your-mouth "rice and peas" enhanced with coconut milk. And the doughy fried "festival" is like a mini unsweetened doughnut.
- Cost: You can score hotel rates for as low as $99 a night. Many all-inclusive deals include unlimited meals, drinks and boating.
- Where to stay: Winston Churchill stayed in the Jamaica Inn, a 47-suite oasis outside of Ocho Rios, which boasts private verandas with ocean views, no televisions, and a library (jamaican.com)
- I need help: Visit Jamaica is a travel and tourism site that provides all the information, photographs and tools you need to plan and purchase your ideal Jamaica vacation. (visitjamaica.com)

METRO WORLD NEWS

Dropping Spider-Man
Evan Rachel Wood, who was originally cast to play Mary Jane Watson in Spider-Man, Turn Off the Dark, has dropped out of the Broadway musical because of scheduling conflicts, Entertainment Weekly reports. METRO NEWS SERVICES



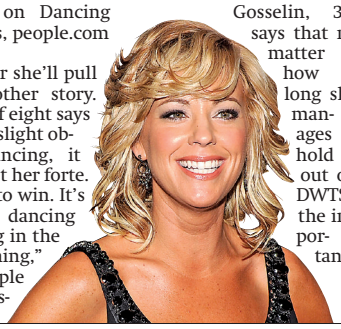
Celebrity Buzz

She's dancing for the kids

NOT THE CELEBRITY STATUS, SWAG AND OODLES OF MONEY Kate Gosselin is a mom on a mission: Win the mirrorball trophy on Dancing with the Stars, people.com reports.

But whether she'll pull it off is another story. The mother of eight says there's just a slight obstacle — dancing, it turns out, isn't her forte.

"I do want to win. It's just that the dancing part is getting in the way of winning," she tells People in the new issue.



"In my mind, I'm winning. In my actions, not so much."

Gosselin, 34, says that no matter how long she manages to hold out on DWTS, the important thing is that she does her best.

"If I last two weeks on the show, I've shown my kids that hard work and perseverance pays off," says Gosselin, whose pro partner is Tony Dovolani.

"And if I don't win, I've shown them you don't always have to come in first. You just have to keep on trying."

The new season of DWTS, with Brooke Burke replacing Samantha Harris as co-host, begins March 22.

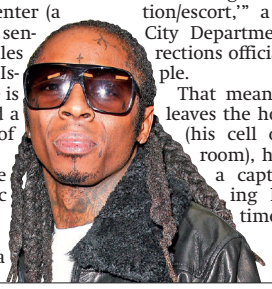
METRO NEWS SERVICES

Settling into the new pad

IT'S GOT MANLY METAL BARS AND A COOL BUNK BED As of Monday, rapper Lil Wayne has a new moniker: Inmate Carter, people.com reports.

The platinum-selling artist (real name: Dwayne Michael Carter Jr.), who began his year-long jail sentence for gun possession on Monday, is facing a lot of new circumstances these days.

The rapper is living among the general population of inmates at the Eric. M. Taylor Center (a facility for sentenced males on Riker's Island), but he is also afforded a low level of protective custody, due to his public profile.



"Inmate Carter is in a category of housing that we call 'general population/escort,'" a New York City Department of Corrections official tells People.

That means when he leaves the housing area (his cell or the day room), he will have a captain escorting him at all times.

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Repaying kindness with coffee

GOOD THING SHE HAS A FLEET OF PHOTOGRAPHERS FOLLOWING HER. THAT PARKING TICKET WOULD HAVE REALLY GOUGED HER Renée Zellweger is very pleased with the paparazzi, us-magazine.com reports.

On Wednesday, the actress, 40, was in the middle of ordering drinks at a Starbucks in Santa Monica, Calif., when a paparazzo outside noticed her parking metre was about to expire. To save her from getting a ticket, he slipped a few coins in the meter.

Appreciative, Zellweger — who is now dating Bradley Cooper — returned to the coffee chain, bought a $100 gift card and rewarded the photographer.

On the back of the card, she personally expressed her gratitude: "Wow. Thank you so much for the kindness," she wrote.

"Warmly, with gratitude. Renée."

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Doesn't want a tainted rep

TALKING EXPLICITY ABOUT YOUR SEX LIFE IS THE OBVIOUS THE WAY TO GO In a remarkably candid interview with Men's Health magazine, Gerard Butler admits that since he's become famous he's grown paranoid about having sex.

"I get laid less now than I used to, because I'm way more paranoid now," he says.

"I mean, I'm nowhere near as naughty as I used to be, partly because I did a lot of that when I was drinking."

But he insists he hasn't become celibate.

"I'm not saying I've cut that part out. I'm certainly no angel. There's no smoke without fire."

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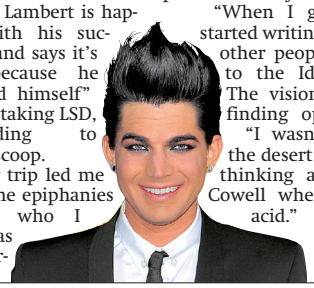
Fractals and melting walls?

NOPE. ACID INSPIRED HIM TO AUDITION FOR IDOL ... SOUNDS LIKE ONE BAD TRIP Former American Idol runner-up Adam Lambert is happy with his success, and says it's all because he "found himself" while taking LSD, according to Hollyscoop.



"My trip led me to some epiphanies about who I was as a performer, what I wanted to do and how I needed to create my own opportunities," he says.

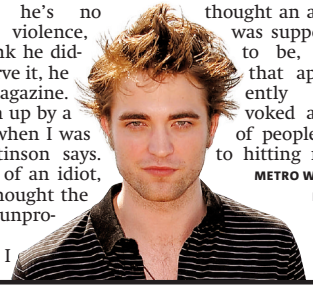
"When I got home, I started writing music with other people and went to the Idol audition. The vision was about finding opportunities.

"I wasn't sitting in the desert in rave-wear thinking about Simon Cowell when I was on acid."

METRO WORLD NEWS

Attitude not appreciated

NOT A FAVOURITE IN THE SCHOOLYARD. SHOCKER! Twilight star Robert Pattinson admits that he's no stranger to violence, even if he think he didn't really deserve it, he tells Parade magazine.



"I got beaten up by a lot of people when I was younger," Pattinson says.

"I was a bit of an idiot, but I always thought the assaults were unprovoked.

"It was after I first started acting and I liked to behave like an actor, or how I thought an actor was supposed to be, and that apparently provoked a lot of people into hitting me."

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@johncmayer
My stuff from QVC arrived today. Spraying Nick Chavez hair products on the unsuspecting and then showing them rare silver coins.

@lindsaylohan
What are the symptoms of Swine Flu?

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Mischa's moving out

MOVE TO THE O.C. AND RECAPTURE YOUR FORMER GLORY! The former O.C. star has decided to move away from Beverly Hills and has put her $8.4 million US Tuscan-style mansion on the market, reports People.com.

It was recently reported Mischa is being sued by M.R.A. Realties for failing to pay the $7,000-a-month rent on her New York apartment for three months. Mischa signed the one-year lease for the apartment last September so she had somewhere to live while she filmed TV series The Beautiful Life, but the programme was cancelled after just two shows.

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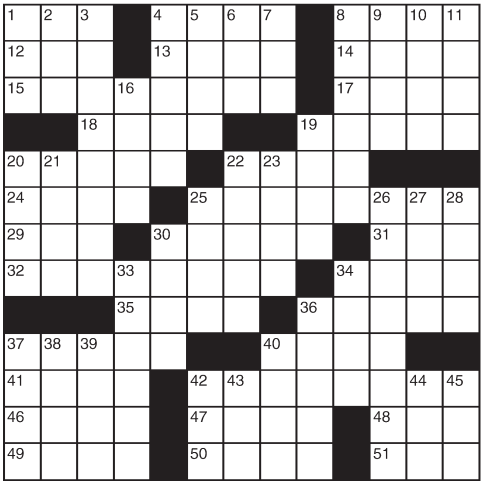

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Sudoku

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HOW TO PLAY: Digits 1 through 9 will appear once in each zone – one zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine zones in the puzzle. Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same zone, row across or column down the entire puzzle.

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PREVIOUS DAY'S CROSSWORD AND SUDOKU ANSWERS:

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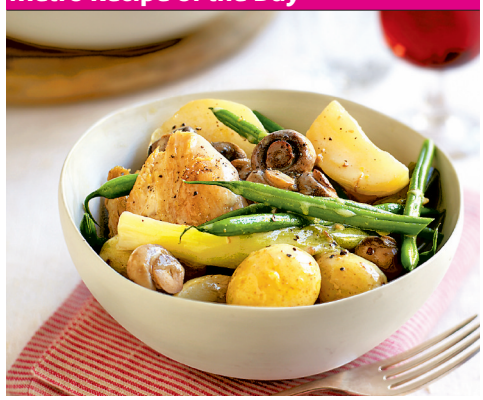

One-pot Chicken Casserole with Creamy Sherry Sauce

INGREDIENTS:

2 tbsp olive oil
8 skinless boneless chicken thighs
250 g button mushrooms
6 oz (175 g) baby leeks
4 small turnips, peeled and quartered
500 g pre-washed small new potatoes
2 1/3 cups chicken stock, made with stock cube
4 tbsp medium or sweet sherry
200 g green beans
1 tbsp cornstarch
1 cup plain low-fat yogurt
Grated zest of 1 lemon

METHOD:

1. Heat oil in pot. Add chicken; season and cook over high heat 2 minutes, turning. Remove from pot and set aside.
2. Add mushrooms to pot and cook over high heat, stirring, 1 minute. Reduce heat; add leeks, then turnips and potatoes.
3. Pour in stock and sherry. Bring to boil. Add chicken and juices from plate. Reduce heat, cover and cook 10 minutes.
4. Add beans, cover and bubble until chicken and vegetables are cooked. Divide among four plates. Keep warm.
5. Boil stock uncovered over high heat 5 minutes to reduce. Meanwhile, mix cornstarch with yogurt and lemon zest.
6. Gradually add most of reduced stock to yogurt mixture, stirring, and pour back into pot. Boil, stirring, to thicken sauce. Pour some sauce over chicken and vegetables; serve remainder separately.

SERVES 4

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MARCH 21-APRIL 20
Don't worry too much if saying what you mean does not come easy today. The words may get stick now but you'll have plenty to say next week.

TAURUS ♉
APRIL 21-MAY 21
Be realistic about a project you are involved in, especially if you are thinking ten steps ahead of everyone else.

GEMINI ♊
MAY 22-JUNE 21
If you make a mistake the best thing you can do is to admit it. The more you try to cover up the error the more it will be compounded.

CANCER ♋
JUNE 22-JULY 22
Listen to what a friend who can usually be trusted tells you today. It may sound a bit farfetched but chances are they've got their finger on the pulse.

LEO ♌
JULY 23-AUG 23
If your instincts tell you one thing today and a work or business colleague tells you something completely different, which one do you trust?

VIRGO ♍
AUG 24-SEPT 22
You will rise to the challenges that the day brings your way and do your reputation no harm at all. You never know what you can do until you try.

LIBRA ♎
SEPT 23-OCT 23
You may dislike making choices but you are now faced by one that is impossible to avoid. It is obvious that something has to give.

SCORPIO ♏
OCT 24-NOV 22
You are not the sort who can be fooled easily and even if you are half asleep today you will quickly work out who is trying to pull the wool over your eyes.

SAGITTARIUS ♐
NOV 23-DEC 21
Act with authority and speak with conviction. Make sure everyone knows you are someone to be treated with respect.

CAPRICORN ♑
DEC 22-JAN 20
You cannot agree with everyone and someone will get rather cross too today when they hear what your opinions are on a topic that is dear to them.

AQUARIUS ♒
JAN 21-FEB 18
Try not to attach too much importance to the news that comes your way today, because there is also a large slice of it which is pure nonsense.

PISCES ♓
FEB 19-MARCH 20
Make the most of the Sun in your sign to put your own interests first and don't worry for even a moment that other people might be missing out.

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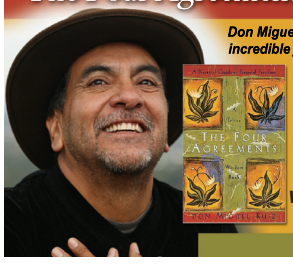

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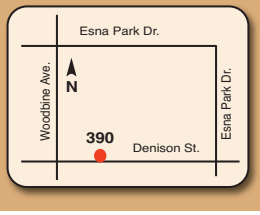

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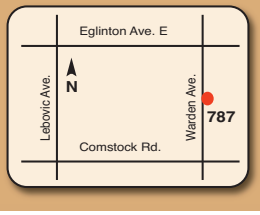

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